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Speaker clears DPP of prima facie contempt over colonel

The Speaker of the Commons ruled yesterday that the Director of Public Prosecutions had not committed a prima facie breach of privilege in warning editors on Thursday not to name Colonel B, the secrets case officer, even though four MPs had named him in the House. The Attorney General said later that no proceedings would be taken against newspapers and broadcasting organizations.

Attorney not to act against media

By Fred Emery
Political Editor

The Speaker yesterday defused a potential explosion between Parliament and the Director of Public Prosecutions. But at the same time, in the matter of MPs naming an intelligence colonel who appeared in a secrets court case, he seemed to be encouraging news organizations to continue publishing the proceedings of the House.

He reminded them that they were protected by qualified privilege—expressed in a judgment in 1868 won by *The Times*—in reporting what was said in the Commons.

The DPP had warned editors that they might face contempt of court proceedings if they reported the colonel's name as given in the Commons, a warning which incensed some MPs and prompted Mr Graham Page, a Conservative, to complain to the Speaker that the DPP had shown contempt of the House.

The Speaker declined to permit Mr Page to proceed with his complaint. He pointed out that editors might face legal proceedings if the DPP enforced his threat, but it would not be the first such attempt. He then proceeded to cite the Wason v Walter defamation case of 1868, referred to in Erskine May, the "bible" of parliamentary practice.

One was authoritatively encouraged later to amplify the fact that Mr John Walter, of *The Times*, the defendant, had won that case. Lord Chief Justice Cockburn ruled that the protection given to reporting Parliament was analogous to that given to court proceedings: it must be fair and faithful to the whole debate.

There seems rarely to have been a clearer hint to the law authorities that they might not prosper in any contempt proceedings, even though the DPP believes that the issue of contempt, as distinct from libel, has never been tested in the courts.

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As for the DPP's action in warning the editors, the Speaker held that he had in no way done anything that would justify placing the complaint against him ahead of all other business yesterday. Such was the procedure required by Mr Page's motion: that it should be given precedence, and that the House should then decide whether to refer it to the Committee of Privileges.

By his refusal the Speaker was not ruling specifically whether there had been contempt of the House; that is a matter for the House itself. However, he did not find that there was a prima facie case, and Mr Page for one accepted the Speaker's ruling.

Not so a group of Labour MPs, who said they would seek to raise the issue again on Monday. Miss Josephine Richardson, one of the four Labour members who named the colonel on Thursday during questions to Mr Michael Foot, Leader of the House, said that the Speaker's comments "sounded like a rebuke to me".

The Speaker had also remarked that MPs would endanger their absolute privilege if they abused it. He continued: In view of the order of the court prohibiting disclosure of the colonel's name I am really being asked to rule that in future any MP may use the privilege of this House to remove the matter from the jurisdiction of the courts and then to claim that the courts had no further power.

I am not prepared to give such a ruling.

At that there were Conservative cheers, and Mr Page later told me that it had been part of his hope in raising the matter to have the issue seen in that perspective.

At a news conference afterwards, Mr Christopher Price, another Labour MP who had named the colonel in the House, said he was writing to the Speaker to seek further clarification. The reference to the courts had been "a travesty of his intentions" in raising the matter.

He challenged the Speaker, saying that MPs' privileges ought to be used to widen existing conventions, otherwise they would quickly be put in danger.

The four MPs had in fact flouted more than a convention of the House in naming the colonel. A Commons resolution of July 23, 1963, binding on all members, rules that sub judice matters "should not be referred to".

As with all Commons rules, the offender must be instantly rebuked, failing which the matter cannot be returned to later. In this case not only did the Speaker and clerks not react, but Mr Foot, a former journalist, did not point out to the Speaker that the matter was sub judice.

The Labour MPs said they were exploring the procedural possibilities. An early-day motion had been put down, but the Government is unlikely to give time for a debate.

The feeling at Westminster is that they will not get much further with the issue.

"No legal action" promise: Mr Samuel Silkin, QC, the attorney general, is not to take any action against newspapers and broadcasting organizations for publishing the name (the Press Association reports).

Mr Silkin made that plain in a statement yesterday after the Speaker's ruling. He said: Following the disclosures in the House yesterday, and prior to the ruling given this morning on this issue by the Speaker, it is understood that doubts existed on the part of some of the press and broadcasting authorities about their position if they published the name of the witness in the official secrets case. In these circumstances the Attorney General wishes it to be known that he is not contemplating any action about the press and broadcasting disclosures made last night and this morning.

Deal on jobs ends threat of disruption by bakers

By Donald Macintyre
Labour Reporter

The threat to bread supplies was lifted last night after union leaders and employers reached an agreement intended to save 2,000 threatened jobs in the industry.

The Bakers', Food and Allied Workers' Union had called an overtime ban from today in the wake of Spillers' decision to close their 23 bakeries.

Under the agreement, reached after two days of talks, the union's 60,000 members will have £4 of an existing £7.85 supplement consolidated into basic rates, and most of the industry will be limited to a permanent five-day week.

The agreement, which will apply from May 14, will create 2,000 vacancies, which will be filled where possible by redundant Spillers workers.

Mr Samuel Maddox, the union's general secretary, said after the talks that he was highly satisfied with the agreement and Mr Michael Rogers, leader of the Federation of Bakers' negotiators, representing the employers, said it was reasonable.

Mr Rogers said that the 2,000 jobs of bakers' union members that had been saved would be in addition to about 1,500 other jobs in all grades, including management, which the industry would have been able, in any case, to absorb.

Mr David Duke Evans, director of the Federation of Bakers, said last night: "The 2,000 vacancies for bakery workers would have, at the least, been in very great jeopardy if this agreement had not been reached."

The consolidation of £4 into the basic rate, which for most of the industry is £37.35, will be backdated to April 22, provided that cooperation and productivity is demonstrated by the date of the deal's implementation.

The deal, which effectively ends the common practice in the industry of rest-day working, will not, it is understood, mean an overall cut in working hours. Continuous production will be guaranteed by agreement on a rotating rest-day system.

Mr Rogers said last night that the productivity element was based on the fact "that we shall be meeting the same demand with fewer bakeries and fewer workers".

Spillers last night announced independently that 2,000 of the 8,000 full-time and part-time workers made redundant had already been found jobs with the help of the Department of Employment.

The statement, which added that a further 1,000 employees were attending final interviews, took federation representatives by surprise. Spillers were not represented at yesterday's talks.

The initial reaction by the employers, however, was that the final net loss to the industry as a result of the closures might be much smaller than was originally thought.

Union appeal: In an indirect appeal to bakery workers not to stage sit-ins at bakeries affected by closure, Mr Maddox said last night: "The union and its members have got to act in a responsible manner" (the Press Association reports). "An agreement does not always satisfy everybody, but we are bound to honour it", he added.

South Korean pilot forced down after refusing to land off-course airliner

Carter aide says Russia shot at Seoul jet

By Our Foreign Staff

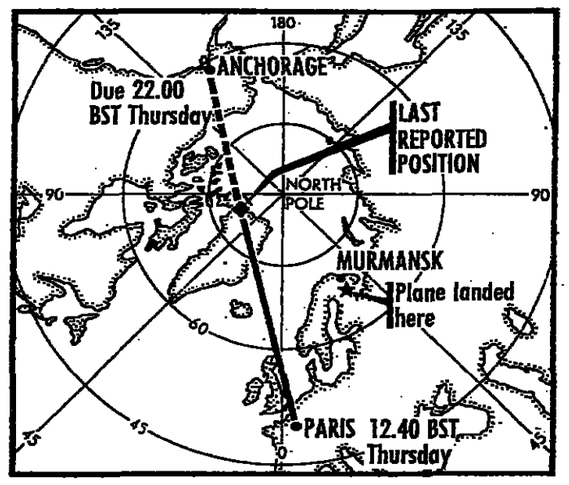
Soviet jet fighters fired at an Alaska-bound South Korean airliner and forced it to land after it flew over Soviet territory, President Carter's national security adviser said yesterday.

Two of the passengers on the commercial flight had died and two others were injured, Mr Zbigniew Brzezinski said. A State Department spokesman said that a total of 13 people were injured, two of them seriously.

American sources in Moscow said that American officials were informed by the Russians that the Boeing 707, which landed on a frozen lake on Thursday after flying wildly off course, suffered "some damage". The plane had been flying from Paris to Seoul, with a refuelling stop planned in Anchorage.

Japanese sources said that Mr Alexei Kosygin, the Soviet Prime Minister, was keeping Mr Ichiro Nakagawa, the visiting Japanese Agricultural and Forestry Minister, informed on the incident. They said the minister was told that the pilot, after being intercepted by warplanes, refused for two hours to obey instructions to land before he was forced down on a frozen lake near the town of Kem, 600 miles north of Moscow and 300 miles south of Murmansk.

The Japanese sources said the Soviet Foreign Ministry informed them that the airliner's impact was so severe that the ice on the lake was shattered.



The South Korean Foreign Ministry said yesterday that its information indicated that the aircraft made an emergency landing after it violated Soviet territory, but "not deliberately".

In Helsinki, the South Korean Embassy said the airliner made a navigational error which forced it to land in the Soviet Union. But the statement gave no explanation of how such an error could have taken the plane at least 1,000 miles off course.

A navigation specialist with the South Korean airline said yesterday in Seoul that the circumstances were so puzzling that he suspected there might have been a hijack attempt. However, there was no evidence of this.

The aircraft left Paris on Thursday carrying a South Korean crew of 13 and 97 passengers, including 48 Japanese, 33 Koreans, three French nationals, one West German, and two Britons, Mr Benson Cohen, a businessman from Southgate, London, and his colleague, Mr William Howard.

It was last heard from when the pilot radioed that he was near the Canadian Armed Forces station on Ellesmere Island in the North-west Territories.

Trans-polar routes bring aircraft close to the North Pole, which can cause wild deviations in conventional compasses. However, an employee of the Korean airline in Anchorage, where the Boeing was to have refuelled, said that the North Pole should not have affected the navigational equipment on this aircraft.

To stray into Soviet airspace, the Korean airliner would have had to be 90 degrees off course.

Meanwhile, the Soviet Union told the United States last night that it could send a civilian aircraft to Murmansk to pick up the passengers and crew from the Korean flight and transport them out of Russia.

The Soviet Union does not have diplomatic relations with South Korea, so a direct transfer was not possible.

A Korean Boeing 707 is due in Helsinki this afternoon to take on the travellers, who presumably will be taken there by an American aircraft. The United States had not yet agreed last night to make a flight, but a State Department official said it probably would.



A policeman arrests Mrs McClellan and her daughter outside the American Embassy in Moscow. This photograph was flown to Frankfurt for transmission to London.

US protests at Soviet censoring of TV film

From Michael Binyon
Moscow, April 21

As Mr Cyrus Vance, the American Secretary of State, had a third round of talks this morning with Mr Andrei Gromyko, the Soviet Foreign Minister, the American Embassy made a formal protest over the Soviet refusal last night to transmit a television film of a protest incident outside the American Embassy.

When the American television correspondent for CBS attempted to transmit his film of police arresting Mrs Irina McClellan, a Russian citizen who chained herself to the embassy railings, technicians refused to make the satellite connexion to the United States.

An official American spokesman said this censorship seemed to be a violation of the Soviet promise at the Helsinki conference in 1975 to guarantee the free flow of information. He said Mr Vance intended to raise the matter directly with Mr Gromyko.

But he emphasized that this would not impinge on the negotiations over the limitation of strategic arms; the two issues were unrelated.

An official at the Soviet Foreign Ministry said the incident was a "deliberate provocation by the American press", though he did not make clear whether this referred to the demonstration by Mrs McClellan and her daughter to be allowed an exit visa, or the filming of the incident.

This morning's talks between Mr Vance and Mr Gromyko lasted three hours, and they were alone together except for an interpreter for more than half the time. A spokesman afterwards characterized the meeting as "good"—a clear improvement on yesterday's sessions which were called "business-like" and "useful".

In his three sessions so far Mr Vance has concentrated almost entirely on the Salt negotiations. But human rights, Africa and the Middle East have also been covered.

In marked contrast to his behaviour 13 months ago, Mr Vance has said little about the progress of his talks. The Soviet media have said even less.

Congress threat if UK blocks Boeing deal

From Frank Vogl
Washington, April 21

Many members of Congress believe that tough trade protectionist actions would probably result if the British Government decided to prevent British Airways from buying Boeing aircraft and forced the airline to buy British aircraft instead.

British Airways would like to replace its aging Tridents with the Boeing 737, but pressures building up within the Cabinet for the airline to buy the British-built BAC 1-11 could rule out such a deal.

Congressman Charles Vanik, chairman of the trade subcommittee of the Ways and Means Committee of the House of Representatives, said that "if the British go on a buy-British plan, then we would go on a buy-American route".

American retaliation could take several forms and each is now under consideration by Congressmen. To start with there could be pressure for much more intensive investigations by the United States authorities of the financial arrangements surrounding foreign aircraft sales to American airlines.

Congressmen Vanik said his committee would be investigating whether unfair subsidies were involved in the recent $728m (about £400m) sale by Airbus Industries to Eastern Airlines.

A "buy American" clause could be added to legislation now before the House of Representatives that would provide funds to all airlines to enable them to purchase quieter aircraft or re-equip their current fleets to make them less noisy.

A senior congressional staff member noted that the British Government's rejection of the Boeing-British Airways deal could generate the sort of outrage in Congress that forced the Carter Administration to take a much tougher line with the Europeans on a whole array of trade protectionist issues.

The aircraft noise legislation itself, which could result in hundreds of millions of dollars going to airlines to buy new equipment and which could therefore boost the sales prospects of all manufacturers, including the Europeans, may be killed on account of unfair trade practices by the Europeans or increased European protectionism, according to Congressmen.

They noted that one of the aims of the Bill was to assist financially weak American airlines, but if these airlines got assistance in the form of foreign government subsidies in buying new aircraft, there would be mounting hostility in the Congress to helping these airlines.

Congressman Vanik is opposed to the aircraft noise Bill. He is also troubled by the financial arrangements involved in the Airbus sale to Eastern Airlines and the recent sale of Rolls-Royce engined Lockheed Tristars to Pan Am, as are several others.

British Government officials are aware of the dangers of United States protectionism on this front and are deeply worried about it. It is noteworthy in this context that Congressman Vanik is seen as an ally, despite his suspicions of European trade practices. He is certainly a moderate compared with many other members of the House of Representatives.

He said he was not opposed to the buying of foreign aircraft "but the competition must be fair".

Zanu officials found guilty of anti-Mugabe plot

From Lawrence Pintak
Maputo, April 21

Three members of the central committee of the Zimbabwe African National Union (Zanu) wing of the Rhodesian Patriotic Front and seven other top officials of the organization have been found guilty of plotting to overthrow Robert Mugabe, their President, according to Nationalist sources.

The verdict, reached earlier this month, comes after a long trial conducted by the central committee at the movement's guerrilla base at Chimoio, Mozambique. The 10 men are being held there.

While officially charged with plotting a coup against Mr Mugabe, it is believed that the group actually engaged in a power play against the influential military leadership, and lost.

Led by Mr Matuku Hamadziripi, the manpower secretary, Mr Rugare Gumbo, the information secretary, and Mr Crispen Mandizvidza, the production secretary, the group had favoured closer ties with Mr Joshua Nkomo's Zimbabwe African People's Union (Zapu) wing of the Patriotic Front. This was opposed by Mr Josiah Tongogara, the Defence Chief.

Sources said that the group tried to break the firm grip Mr Tongogara and his comrades have on Mr Mugabe's thoughts.

It is said the Zanu President is prepared to serve under Mr Nkomo, but cannot while the present guerrilla leadership, to whom Mr Mugabe owes his election, is in control.

Mr Gumbo and Mr Hamadziripi, who have long sought control of Zanu, circulated a memorandum criticizing Mr Mugabe's leadership after a central committee meeting last August at which Mr Mugabe was elected president.

Before the meeting, the pair had led opposition to Mr Mugabe, then acting leader, and had lobbied hard for a president from the guerrilla ranks.

There have long been bad personal feelings between the pair and Mr Tongogara and his allies, and at the August meeting Mr Edgar Tekere, the Zanu Secretary-General, issued a report of "plottings and intrigues" against Mr Mugabe's leadership.

Angry reception: Hundreds of students shouting "betrayer" demonstrated against Bishop Abel Muzorewa when he arrived in Botswana today for talks with President Sir Seretse Khama (Reuter reports). Police were pelted with eggs and rotten meat in the centre of Gaborone.

"You are supporting the racist Smith regime", the students shouted. "You are protecting a betrayer." The bishop is on the four-man executive council of the transitional multiracial government.

Save Moro appeal in the UN

From Our Own Correspondent
New York, April 21

The 15 members of the United Nations Security Council met informally today to draft an appeal, on humanitarian grounds, to the Red Brigades for the release of Signor Aldo Moro. The council has never before made such an appeal.

The meeting was summoned by Mr Andrew Young, of the United States, who is this month's council president. He made the move in close consultation with the Italians, who are not members of the council.

Rome, April 21.—The ruling Christian Democrats today asked the Red Brigades terrorists who kidnapped Signor Aldo Moro, the former Prime Minister to say exactly what they wanted as the price for his life.

It appeared that the party might be modifying its tough "no bargaining" line but no definite statement has yet been made.

Signor Moro's family and friends today called on the Government and the party to "assume a realistic attitude and say they are ready to find out what are the concrete conditions for his release."

The Socialist Party said it believed that the life of Signor Moro could still be saved. But the Communist Party said that "the Government must firmly reject any blackmail".

Route chosen for Everest assault without oxygen

From Ronald Faux
Katmandu, April 21

The attempt to climb Mount Everest without oxygen is well under way. The Austrian expedition which is supporting the climb by Reinhold Messner, aged 33, of Italy, and Peter Hubeler, aged 35, of Austria, has reached the South Col at 26,000ft of the 29,028ft mountain.

A sherpa, Dawa Nuru, was killed earlier this week when he fell into a crevasse in the ice fall. Depending on the weather a summit assault could assault could be imminent. It will be made by the South Col route.

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Ford of Britain has record profit of £246m

Ford of Britain announced record pre-tax profits of £246m for 1977, making it the only profitable company among the country's big four motor manufacturers. Total sales last year were also a record at £2,253m, against £1,627m in 1976. Exports were also up, by 41 per cent. The company announced a four-year investment plan costing more than £1,000m, much of which will be spent at Dagenham and Halewood Page 17

Paris's Chad dilemma

Despite Elysée denials, France is sending further Foreign Legion reinforcements to Chad to support the regime of General Malloun against the Frolinat rebels, according to reliable reports. The dilemma for the French President and his aides, however is how far France can afford to become militarily involved in the Chad Army's losing battle Page 4

BBC favours 'easy payments' licence

The BBC would be in favour of "easy payment" of the licence fee in instalments, Mr Ian Trethowan, Director-General of the BBC, says in an interview with Kenneth Gosling. He sympathizes with people who are losing Radio 4 plays because of parliamentary broadcasts Page 3

Six shot at university

Six people were killed and 14 others critically wounded when police and troops fired on demonstrating university students in Zaria, central Nigeria. They were protesting against increased boarding fees. Unrest is reported at all universities in Nigeria Page 5

Journalist dies in battle

Lord Richard Cecil, a freelance journalist, has been killed in a battle in Rhodesia. Nick Downey, a cameraman with him, says he died a few minutes after being shot in the legs, chest and stomach by a guerrilla at seven yards range Report, page 4
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Stockbrokers and firms in plot fined

Two stockbrokers and three firms were heavily fined by magistrates at Guildhall Justice-Room, London, for their parts in a foreign exchange fraud. Lewis Altman, a City stockbroker, was fined £55,500. He and his company were said to have been used to defraud the Treasury in a fraud which made more than £2m profit Page 3

TUC's pay warning

A strategy for economic and social advance framed jointly by the Government and the trade union movement was advocated by Mr Len Murray, general secretary of the TUC, at the Wales TUC conference. He warned the Government not to impose rigid pay limits Page 2

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High Court postpones hearing of contempt case over magazines naming 'Colonel B'

By Stewart Tendler

The High Court yesterday agreed to postpone contempt of court proceedings against two magazines and the National Union of Journalists over the identification of Colonel B.

Lord Widgery, the Lord Chief Justice, and two other judges agreed to put back the case for a week to May 2 despite opposition from the prosecution, who argued that the issue remained urgent and the identification by the magazines was part of a sustained campaign.

Lord Gifford, for the defence of *Peace News*, one of the magazines, told the court that the name had been carried by seven national newspapers and radio broadcasts after MPs named the colonel in the Commons on Thursday. Mr Samuel Silkin, QC, the Attorney General, should consider dropping the case.

The court was also told that there was no official transcript or court record of what had been said by magistrates at Tottenham, London, about identification of the colonel during committal proceedings against two journalists and a former soldier.

Mr Tony Hetherington, Director of Public Prosecutions, was in court yesterday to watch the proceedings. Afterwards he referred all questions to a press officer, seconded from the Home Office, who handed out texts of the prosecution submission against postponement.

Mr John Melville Williams, QC, for the NUJ, said the complaint was based on two issues of *The Journalist*, the union's monthly newspaper. The delay was requested because the union had been holding its annual delegate meeting this week and needed time to prepare its case.

Mr Stephen Sedley, for *The Leveller* magazine, said a date towards the end of May had originally been fixed and that was about the time needed to prepare such a case.

Lord Gifford, who also appeared for the individual defendants associated with the magazine, said the argument for bringing the cases forward quickly "had gone out of the window after events yesterday".

Mr Harry Woolf, for the Attorney General, said a matter of public importance was involved. The campaign by the magazines might not rest at giving the colonel's name, and while he accepted the NUJ's desire for more time, that was not the case with the two publications. They had embarked on a sustained campaign and he asked the court to consider what had been published so far.

It had been reported that badges were being prepared which would show the colonel's name.

At that point Lord Widgery said: "I cannot stop myself listening to the radio in the morning", and noted that use of the name had reached saturation point after the MPs' action.

After the hearing the latest edition of *The Leveller* showed that the magazine has again named the colonel, and used a transcript of his evidence in court.

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Accused's alleged statement about spying

Witness change after name sought

By Our Crime Reporter

The now much identified Colonel B made his first public appearance on November 14 last when he entered the witness box during committal proceedings against two journalists and a former soldier.

The three had been arrested the previous March by the Special Branch after a meeting at a house in Muswell Hill, north London. After two days of questioning they were charged under the Official Secrets Act.

One of the journalists was Mr Crispin Aubrey, aged 31, a member of the staff of *Time Out* magazine. The other was Mr Duncan Campbell, aged 24, who worked as a freelance writer for the magazine and specialized in scientific work. He now works for *The Sunday Times*. The former soldier was Mr John Berry, aged 33, who had once served in the Royal Signals and had become a social worker.

Mr Campbell is charged with obtaining information from Mr Berry which might prove useful to an enemy and receiving information from Mr Berry contrary to section one of the Official Secrets Act. He is also charged with, for a purpose prejudicial to the safety or interests of the state, collecting information concerning defence communications that might directly or indirectly be useful to an enemy.

Mr Berry is charged with, for a purpose prejudicial to the safety and interests of the state, giving Mr Campbell information that might be useful directly or indirectly to an enemy and giving Mr Campbell information he had obtained "as a person who had held office under her Majesty". Mr Aubrey is charged with aiding and abetting Mr Campbell to commit both offences.

At the committal proceedings, where reporting restrictions were lifted, the court was told that Mr Berry between 1955 and 1970 had done work involving signals intelligence.

A month before his arrest he spoke to the National Council for Civil Liberties about his concern at the expulsion from Britain of Mr Philip Agee, the former CIA agent, and Mr Mark Hosenball, a journalist, and made a statement about the government communications headquarters and the monitoring system which spied on telecommunications.

Among the theories surrounding the controversial expulsions, the precise reasons for which have never been given, there was one that work on the communications headquarters at Cheltenham by Mr Hosenball and Mr Campbell had contributed to Mr Hosenball's enforced exit from Britain.

Mr Berry arranged to meet Mr Campbell and Mr Aubrey and it was that meeting that led to the arrests. The police recovered a tape recording of the conversation, which was played to the magistrates *in camera*.

The prosecution wanted to call Lieutenant-Colonel A to define what had been played but when the defence demanded his name the prosecution refused and called Colonel B instead.

Quite what the magistrates said about his identification is a matter of dispute in the contempt proceedings, but the information on his qualifications given in court made identification apparently easy.

As a result *The Leveller*, a radical journal, has printed his full name three times and *Peace News*, the magazine "for non-violent revolution", five times. The contempt proceedings take into account only some of those publications.

Other smaller publications have also named him but no proceedings have been started against them. *The Journalist*, the newspaper of the National Union of Journalists, identified Colonel B but the authorities apparently did not notice. It has printed the name again in its current edition and has now joined the other two publications.

There were also attempts by the Director of Public Prosecutions to prevent the name being mentioned during the annual delegate meeting of the NUJ this week, but in the event the name was not mentioned.

NUJ congratulates editors for defying the DPP

By Our Labour Staff

Four MPs who named the secrets case witness, Colonel B, in the Commons on Thursday were congratulated by the annual conference of the National Union of Journalists at Whitley Bay yesterday. Delegates overwhelmingly approved a motion containing his name.

It applauded the courage of the directors and editors of ITN, the BBC, Independent Radio News, *The Guardian*, *The Times*, the *Daily Express*, the *Daily Mail*, the *Morning Star* and *The Scotsman* for defying "intimidatory warnings issued by the office of the Director of Public Prosecutions which sought to reduce the right to report parliamentary proceedings, established in 1688".

It demanded that Mr Samuel Silkin, QC, the Attorney General, should either withdraw all proceedings against journals that previously had published the colonel's full name or prosecute "each and every person responsible for disseminating the full identity of Colonel B".

Our Defence Correspondent writes: Colonel B is to remain anonymous at the Ministry of Defence. A decision has been taken there not to confirm his identity officially, however widely it may have been disclosed elsewhere.

He is known to belong to the Royal Corps of Signals and to be attached on a two-year posting to military intelligence at the ministry in London.

It is also known that he is working on highly secret material. The usual practice is that all such men should remain anonymous outside the ministry, and that is being strictly adhered to. The ministry has also refused to release any personal details about Colonel B, who was promoted to his present rank nearly three years ago.

Press duty to report Parliament fully

By David Nicholson-Lord

The use of parliamentary privilege by MPs to defeat a court order was a matter that could not be resolved by the press resorting to censorship and giving an inadequate report of Parliament, Mr William Rees-Mogg, editor of *The Times*, said yesterday.

In a BBC radio discussion he said *The Times* had a duty to publish full and fair reports of parliamentary proceedings, which it had been doing for 190 years. It would be "quite disgraceful" if it started to censor them.

It was for Parliament to regulate its own affairs and the press to report them. "If Parliament is dissatisfied with this situation, it is for Parliament to act", he added.

In disregarding the advice from the Director of Public Prosecutions and publishing Colonel B's name in yesterday's newspaper, he had proceeded on the basis that Parliament was the highest court in the land. The proceedings of a senior court would be published where they were in possible conflict with those of a junior court.

In the same discussion, on the *World at One* programme, Mr Jeffrey Rooker, Labour MP for Birmingham, Perry Barr, said that MPs' privilege was a concession to be used according to their judgment and that of their colleagues. Constituents should not have to buy Hansard because newspapers were prevented from carrying out their duty.

Mr Ian Percival, QC, the "shadow" Solicitor General, said the propriety of MPs using their privilege to "spit in the eye" of a court order required further consideration.

Newspapers should consider how far they had the right to lend their support to what had all the appearance of a contrived manoeuvre by the MPs involved to bring Colonel B's name into the open.

Professor Claire Palley, professor of law at Kent University, suggested that the BBC should use a "two-minute stopper" safety device to delay immediate transmission. The BBC might have been authorized by Parliament to transmit live broadcasts, but doubt surrounded the meaning of authorization as contained in the Parliamentary Papers Act, 1840, enacted after the last clash between Parliament and the courts.

The position of live broadcasting would have to be examined to see whether statutory authorization had been made, she added.

Mr Murray argues for yearly pay interval

From Paul Routledge
Labour Editor
Llandudno

Mr Len Murray, general secretary of the TUC, yesterday conceded the need for "responsible" pay negotiations and for a continuation of the 12-month interval between settlements.

Addressing the annual conference of the Wales TUC, he proposed a joint strategy for "economic and social advance", and argued that trade unionists should avoid stoking up the fires of inflation in the next round of wage bargaining due to begin in three months' time. "I do not believe that they will see massive wage claims, or increases twice a year, as serving their real interests", he said, adding "but the Government must not push its luck".

For two years ministers had relied on TUC backing for the £6 and 5 per cent policies and since last summer, even without the committed support of the TUC, it had won a remarkable degree of acceptance for its 10 per cent policy.

Largely as a result of tax cuts, living standards were moving up and the rate of price increases would be down to 7 per cent by early summer.

"These are the sort of things that will help produce a climate in which negotiators will not be compelled to make extravagant demands just to defend living standards and match price rises. So the Government should concentrate on getting the climate right, above all by action on prices and on jobs", he said.

Mr Murray insisted that the unions had to go on talking with the Government and ministers had to listen. The more open relationship between the Government and the TUC had been of great value.

Trade unionists had learnt from the experience of the last decade. "I believe that these have created a lasting awareness of the advantages to the trade-union movement of collective action, and the dangers of each union or group of workers just going off on their own."

In a further warning to ministers not to seek a fixed limit on wage increases in 1978-79, he said: "It is common ground that voluntary, responsible collective bargaining is not compatible with rigid norms and spuriously precise criteria and exceptions."

It was necessary, he said, together with the Government to frame a strategy that took into account employment, wages, working hours, output and all other aspects of the situation.

Tories would be 'cautious' on industrial issues

By Our Political Editor

A future Conservative government would be likely to "demonstrate a great degree of caution and discretion on burning industrial issues", Mr John Davies, the shadow Foreign Secretary and former Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, said yesterday.

In a speech to the central Lancashire Engineering Employers' Association he said that, whatever the future disagreements over economic solutions, he could not believe they would be allowed to throw the economy into disarray.

To demonstrate anything other than caution and discretion would certainly be evidence of a lack of responsibility which simply does not exist within the framework of Mrs Thatcher's team".

Attack on Prime Minister: Mr Reg Prentice, the former Labour Cabinet Minister, criticized the Prime Minister yesterday (the Press Association reports).

Mr Prentice, Conservative MP for Newham, North-east, whose formal local Labour Party dismissed him as its MP, told Glasgow, Cathcart, Conservatives that Britain's biggest handicap in the past few years had been lack of political leadership.

Strike call to 1,400 journalists

From Christopher Thomas
Labour Reporter
Whitley Bay

The National Union of Journalists yesterday ordered a one-day strike on Thursday by 1,400 members at Thomson Regional Newspapers in support of 77 journalists dismissed on Monday at Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire.

The union's national executive is reserving the possibility of a call for action to journalists throughout the Thomson Organization, which controls *The Times* and *The Sunday Times* and publishes books and magazines.

The regional newspaper group produces about forty weeklies. Dailies that will be affected by the strike are at Aberdeen, Newcastle upon Tyne, Blackburn, Middlesbrough, Reading, Hemel Hempstead, Cardiff and Belfast. *The Scotsman* and the Edinburgh *Evening News* may also be involved. It should be possible for all titles to be produced by editors.

The action was ordered at an emergency executive meeting during the NUJ policy-making conference at Whitley Bay. Journalists on the *Evening Post-Echo* at Reading were authorized to stage strikes without warning.

Peace talks over a Hemel Hempstead productivity pay dispute broke down on Thursday night. No formal offer was made but discussions are centring on a possible figure of £5 a week. The journalists rejected a £3.11 offer and said they would not give up jobs as part of the deal. The local management had proposed that three or four editorial vacancies should remain unfilled under a productivity agreement.

Nearly all newspapers in the Thomson regional group are being subjected to sanctions of varying severity for the reinstatement of the Hemel Hempstead journalists, and some of the dailies are being produced single-handed by editors.

The NUJ executive instructed Thomson Regional Newspaper employees not to supply material for the *Evening Post-Echo*, which is being brought out by the editor, and urged other Thomson Organisation employees to take disruptive action. Printing unions will be asked for support.

Delegates voted 148-144 to go ahead with outstanding disciplinary proceedings against NUJ members who defied a strike call last May in support of a closed shop stoppage at Darlington. They included Mr Harold Pearson, former NUJ president and an executive member.

So far 140 disciplinary cases have been handled by the union; 61 of those concerned still owe their fines. Of the rest, half have appealed, about half have paid fines, and six have been expelled for non-payment.

The conference defeated a motion to drop proceedings because only a small number of those who disobeyed the instruction were being penalized.

No assurance by Prime Minister to Services

By Our Defence Correspondent

Service wives who have called for pay rises of more than 30 per cent for their husbands came away disappointed after meeting the Prime Minister yesterday.

Mr Callaghan, who was opening a £5,500,000 fleet maintenance base at Devonport, had earlier suggested that some Armed Forces' worries about pay might be relieved by the announcement to be made next week. But the wives, whose meeting had been arranged by Dr David Owen, Foreign Secretary, who is MP for Plymouth, Devonport, remained unconvinced.

As members of the Forces Wives' Association they are demanding a 10 per cent rise in basic pay, a further 30 per cent through the X factor, which is added to Servicemen's pay to compensate for the discomfort of service life, and increased allowances.

But the Prime Minister is said to have told them that he felt they would be disappointed.

Mrs Katrina May, aged 27, treasurer of the newly formed association, said: "He gave us no hope, really. He could not promise us parity with civilians in the future. But he said that there might be something in his statement and we would just have to wait and see."

Meanwhile a report in the latest issue of *SSAFA News*, journal of the Soldiers', Sailors' and Airmen's Families Association, argues that nine out of 10 welfare difficulties in the Forces are caused partly by shortage of money.

One o the association's social workers is quoted as saying: "It is causing a tremendous amount of strain and friction in families. Many of our families are merely existing. They exist from pay packet to pay packet and when Michael needs new shoes something else has to be done without."

A googly from woman cricketers

By Philip Howard

Mrs Rachel Heyhoe Flint, former captain of the England women's cricket team, is going to lead the first commercial women's cricket eleven in Sunday matches against men's teams all over the country.

She said yesterday that she was not interfering with the established organization of women's cricket. "None of the players is being paid. We are merely receiving the material backing of British Airways in this venture."

Her team will be known as the British Airways International Women's Cricket Eleven. Its first match is tomorrow, against Havering, at Bow in Essex.

Any male chauvinists who suppose that a women playing cricket is like a dog walking on its hind legs (it is not done well; but you are surprised to find it done at all) could be in for a painful surprise.

'Untrue gossip fed into police computer'

By Our Crime Reporter

Erroneous gossip about a man's alleged paedophile inclinations was fed into a police intelligence computer with similar "unchecked bonkum", according to an editorial in the latest edition of the *Police Review*. It draws attention to the dangers of computerizing such information.

"If the public feel that every piece of gossip made within earshot of a police officer might find its way into a computer, they will cease to trust", it says.

The magazine says that a Home Office project was launched to index, collate, and store information gathered throughout one large provincial force.

Collators note information passed on by police officers. It may include the fact that a householder has a valuable painting as well as more personal information.

The computer is in the Thames Valley force and officers say it is far more advanced than the police national computer.

Police Review says: "A police officer reported that his wife had heard another woman remark in the village shop that 'X fancied little boys'. He noted it in the occurrence book and the collator fed it into the computer bank."

The magazine says the allegation was untrue but adds: "Should he ever apply to join the police or any other profession where his name would be checked, then he would probably be turned down without a truthful explanation."

The magazine says that two American experts who were invited by the Home Office to see the computer were horrified by the system.

Mrs Thatcher's delight at Lambeth vote

By Fred Emery
Political Editor

The Conservative progress in reducing Labour's majority to 3,141 in the Lambeth, Central, by-election, declared early yesterday, brought jubilant comments from Mrs Margaret Thatcher. Regrettably, she said, it meant that the Prime Minister was unlikely to favour a snap general election.

Mr Callaghan, touring Devon, sought to celebrate last week's Budget as "the first return on the efforts of previous years"; and Mr Ronald Hayward, general secretary of the Labour Party, speaking in Plymouth, said the Lambeth result meant that people there like those at Garscadden a week earlier, "have spoken for the nation in rejecting those twin policies of fear and despair: racialism and separatism".

Some Labour ministers privately expressed disappointment and the Tories corresponding satisfaction over the "swing" to the Conservatives from Labour, compared with the October 1974 general election.

At a calculated 9.4 per cent swing, it was close to that recorded before by the Conservatives in safe Labour seats. Considering the low turnout of 44.5 per cent, the Tories did well to increase their vote over October, 1974, even if it was only by 466 votes.

But the point is that Labour had hoped to find a sign of rising fortunes, or at least confirmation of the status quo. The constituency has a high coloured population, and Labour had hoped that immigrants, in the aftermath of the immigration furore with the Conservatives, would turn out for the Government.

For the Liberals, who were beaten into fourth place by National Front candidate, L... beth was another disaster, third in a by-election since 1...

There are two by-elecri... pending in Conservative-h... seats next Thursday: Ep... and Ewell, and Wycombe.

At the general election October, 1974, the figures we... M. Lipton (Lab), 15,381; ... Lyell (C), 6,704; P. Easton (... 3,211; S. Smart (WRP), 233. ... Bratton (Marx-Len), 88. ... majority 8,677.

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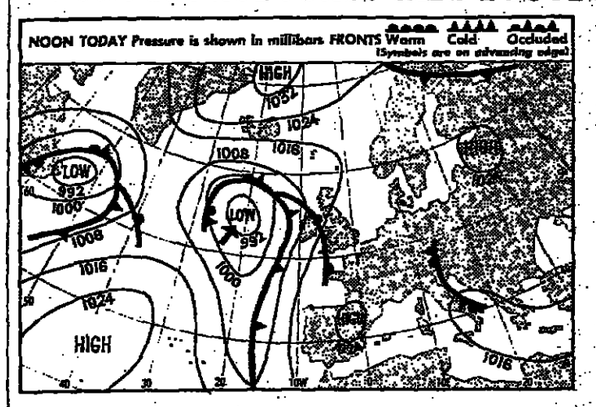
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J. Tilley (Lab)	10,311		
J. Hanley (C)	7,170		
Mrs H. Steven (NF)	1,291		
D. Blunt (L)	1,104		
J. Chase (Brixton Soc Unity)	287		
C. Redgrave (WRP)	271		
A. Bogues (Flame/SWP)	201		
B. McNeeney (SPGB)	91		
A. Whereat (Ind)	55		
S. Monro (S. London People's Front)	38		
W. Boakes (Dem Monarchist)	27		
Lab majority	3,141		

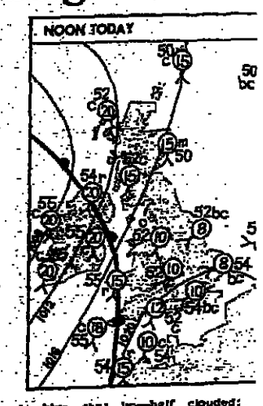
The following table sh... the proportion of votes ... ceived by the candidates ... the change since Octo... 1974:

	% 1978	% Oct. '74	Ch...
Lab	49.5	60.1	—
C	34.4	26.2	+
Nat Front	6.2	—	
L	5.3	12.5	—
Others	4.7	1.2	+
Poll	44.5	52.6	
Elect	46,827	48,571	—

All candidates except Lab and C... their deposits.

Weather forecast and recordings





Today

Sun rises: 5.51 am. Sun sets: 8.8 pm.
Moon sets: 5.40 am. Moon rises: 7.27 pm.
Full moon: Tomorrow.
Lighting up: 8.38 pm to 5.19 am.
High water: London Bridge, 1.55 am, 6.8m (22.4ft); 2.20 pm, 7.2m (23.6ft). Avonmouth, 7.30 am, 12.9m (42.2ft); 7.59 pm, 13.1m (43.1ft). Dover, 11.24 am, 6.4m (20.9ft); 11.42 pm, 6.6m (21.7ft). Hull, 6.32 am, 7.0m (23.1ft); 6.42 pm, 7.2m (23.7ft). Liverpool, 11.32 am, 9.1m (29.9ft); 11.55 pm, 9.3m (30.5ft).

Tomorrow

Sun rises: 5.49 am. Sun sets: 8.10 pm.
Moon sets: 5.11 am. Moon rises: 8.42 pm.
Full moon: 5.11 am.
Lighting up: 8.40 pm to 5.17 am.
High water: London Bridge, 2.35 am, 7.2m (23.6ft); 2.59 pm, 7.5m (24.5ft). Avonmouth, 8.15 am, 13.3m (43.7ft); 8.41 pm, 13.5m (44.3ft). Dover, 12.1 pm, 6.5m (21.4ft). Hull, 7.10 am, 7.3m (23.8ft); 7.21 pm, 7.4m (24.3ft). Liverpool, 12.11 pm, 9.4m (30.9ft).

Pressure will be high over E Britain while troughs of low pressure move N over some W areas.

Forecasts for 6 am to midnight:

London, Central S, SE, E, Central N, and NE England, East Anglia, E Midlands, Borders, Edinburgh and Dundee: Dry, some sunny spells, wind S, light or moderate; max temp 14°-15°C (57°-59°F).

W Midlands, NW England: Dry, variable cloud, sunny intervals; wind S, light or moderate; max temp 13°-14°C (55°-57°F).

Channel Islands: Dry, sunny spells; wind S, light or moderate; max temp 13°C (55°F).

SW England, Wales: Sunny intervals in places, cloudy with occasional rain in extreme W, hill fog; wind S, light or moderate, freshening later; max temp 12°-13°C (54°-55°F).

Lake District, Isle of Man, SW Scotland, Glasgow, Argyll: Bright becoming cloudy with occasional rain, hill fog; wind S, light or moderate, freshening later; max temp 12°-14°C (54°-57°F).

Aberdeen, NE Scotland, Orkney, Shetland: Cloudy, mostly dry, hill fog; wind SE, light; max t... 7°-9°C (45°-48°F).

Outlook for tomorrow and ... day: Mostly dry in E with su... intervals, occasional rain in ... rather warm.

Sea passages: S, North ... Strait of Dover, English Cha... (E): Wind W, moderate, lo... fresh; sea slight.

St George's Channel: Wind ... moderate or fresh, backing S ... increasing to strong; sea sli... becoming rough.

Irish Sea: Wind W, moder... backing S and increasing to ... or strong; sea slight, becor... rough.

Yesterday

London: Temp: max 7 am ... pm, 11°C (52°F); min 7 pm ... am, 7°C (45°F). Humidity, ... 72 per cent. Rain, 24hr to ... 0.11in. Sun, 24hr to 7 pm, ... Bar, mean sea level, 7 pm, ... millibars, rising.
1,000 millibars = 29.53in.

Overseas selling prices: ... Austria, Sch 15; Belgium, ... Canaries, Pes 60; Denmark, Dkr ... Finland, Fmk 2.25; France, ... Germany, Dmk 2.50; Greece, ... Holland, Dfl 2.00; Hongkong, ... 5.00; Italy, Lire 700; Luxem... (if $3: Madeira, 28c; $1.50; Malt... Norway, Kr 3.50; Portugal, Es... Spain, Pes 60; Sweden, Skr ... Switzerland, 2fr 2.50; USA/Can... $1.00; Yugoslavia, Dm 24.

	C	F		C	F		C	F		C	F
Algiers	c	18	64	Cardiff	r	7	45	Jersey	f	10	50	Naples	f	14	57
Amsterdam	f	13	55	Cologne	f	11	52	Las Palmas	s	20	68	Nice	f	14	57
Athens	f	19	66	Copenhagen	s	13	55	Lisbon	s	16	61	New York	c	11	52
Bermuda	c	23	73	Dublin	c	10	50	Locarno	f	14	57	Oslo	c	5	41
Barcelona	s	15	59	Edinburgh	c	8	46	London	c	10	50	Paris	f	10	54
Beirut	s	17	63	Florence	c	16	61	Luxembourg	f	10	50	Reykjavik	r	5	41
Belfast	r	10	50	Funchal	f	19	66	Madrid	s	16	61	Rome	c	14	57
Berlin	c	10	50	Geneva	c	11	52	Majorca	s	17	63	Rovaniemi	c	17	63
Biarritz	f	13	55	Gibraltar	s	21	70	Malaga	s	21	70	Stockholm	c	8	46
Birmingham	c	10	50	Guernsey	r	10	50	Malta	s	22	72	Venice	f	14	57
Bristol	c	9	48	Helsinki	s	13	54	Manchester	r	11	52	Vienna	f	12	54
Brussels	s	13	55	Innsbruck	c	10	50	Moscow	f	16	61	Warsaw	s	13	55
Budapest	c	17	63	Istanbul	r	14	57	Munich	s	10	50	Zurich	s	11	52

Running costs pledged for new kidney machines

The Department of Health and Social Security said yesterday that £5m would be available for regional authorities during 1979 to 1981 to run the additional 400 kidney machines mentioned in the Budget.

Doubts about the wisdom of providing money for machines that might not be used because of lack of expert staff and accommodation were expressed on Thursday by the National Kidney Research Fund.

A representative of the fund said last night that the news was welcome but it was a pity that it had not been made clear in the Budget that there would be provision for running costs up to 1981.

The department said that after that year the running costs of additional machines would have to be met from the general allocation to regions.

Mrs Elizabeth Ward, president of the British Kidney Patient Association, said that if the cost of running the additional machines came within the general allocation of funds to regional authorities, it was unlikely in view of the pattern of what she regarded as their lack of concern about kidney treatment that the authorities would continue to find £2.5m a year for it.

If that happened, not only the capital cost of providing the machines, but two or three years' running costs would also be wasted. The Government should have stated clearly that there was an ad infinitum commitment to provide the necessary finance.

Murder case plea reserved

From Alan Hamilton
Haddington

One of two men charged with the murder of Mr Walter Scott-Elliot, aged 82, a former MP, reserved his plea at Haddington Sheriff Court yesterday because of a possible contempt of court by the *Daily Mail*.

Michael Anthony Kitto is charged together with Archibald Thomson Hall with strangling Mr Scott-Elliot, whose body was found near Inverness on January 21. Mr Hall is also charged with the murder by shooting of David Michael Wright, aged 30, of no fixed address.

Mr James MacNeil, Mr Kitto's solicitor, told Mr William Bryden, QC, Sheriff Principal, that the forthcoming trial could be prejudiced by the publication of newspaper articles and reports referring to the circumstances of the charges, in particular articles published in the *Daily Mail* on January 19, 1978.

Continental paintings make £542,750

By Huon Mallalieu

There was no marked national bias in the higher prices paid at a sale of nineteenth and twentieth-century Continental pictures at Christie's, which was held in two sessions yesterday and on Thursday, although French and Swiss paintings were less in demand than works by German, Austrian, Italian, Dutch or Belgian artists.

Much of the buying was anonymous, including £29,000 paid for a painting of three girls on a balcony by the Austrian Eugène de Blaas (estimate £10,000 to £15,000). That was a record price for a work by the artist, but more remarkable was £17,000 paid for the sentimental "Young seamstresses" by Alexis Alexeiwitsch Harlamoff (estimate £6,000 to £8,000), since previously his record stood at £2,000 established in 1976.

Winter landscapes were popular, and one with a frozen river by the Belgian, C. H. J. Leickert, reached £19,000 (estimate £14,000 to £18,000), and Polak paid £15,000 for a winter town scene by Willem Koekkoek (estimate £15,000 to £20,000). The sale made a total of £542,750, with 6 per cent bought in.

The final sessions of the aesthetic week at Sotheby's Belgravia were devoted to the decorative arts between 1870 and 1940 and included the collection of Martin Battersby, which made a total of £42,567, with less than 1 per cent bought in.

The total for the general property sessions was £157,737, with 1.25 per cent unsold. The Antique Porcelain Company paid £8,000 for a gilt-bronze figure of Loie Fuller by Raol Larche, made in about 1900 (estimate £5,000 to £7,000).

The turn of the century appeared to be the most favoured period, with £7,500 paid for an early Gallé "vase parlant" with internal and marqueterie-sur-verre decoration, of 1898 (estimate £4,000 to £6,000), and £7,200 for a gold and enamel Art Nouveau brooch-pendant of about 1900 (estimate £2,000 to £4,000). The grand total for the week of sales was £762,258.

Sotheby's Belgravia also held a wine sale, which produced £205,300, and a furniture sale at Bond Street brought £64,375, with 2 per cent bought in.

Wine labels: A silver sale at Phillips, totalling £94,126 (with 3 per cent unsold) was notable for a private collection of about four hundred wine labels, which fetched £9,568. Irish labels sold well and a set of six George III examples went to Small for £400 (estimate £200).

The collector, who died in 1962, acquired the labels in the 1920s and 1930s, often for a few shillings each. S. J. Phillips paid £4,600 for a French bowl made in Lyons in 1684 (estimate £3,000).

Stamp record: In a stamp sale at Bonham's a Great Britain 1867-83 £5 orange used copy made what is believed to be an auction record of £1,100, and an 1883-85 ten-shilling ultramarine mint fetched £700. The sale totalled £29,580.

In brief

Abortions rise by 5,000

Last year 10,171 wom... from Spain had a legal ab... tion in Britain, Mr Rob... Moyle, Minister of State ... Health, said in a Commo... written reply yesterday. It ... was best with 7,849 patie... followed by the Irish Repul... with 2,183.

The total of abortions ... formed was 132,999, compa... with 127,904 in 1976. For E... land and Wales the figure ... 102,237, for Scotland 852 ... Northern Ireland 1,255.

Shots fired in raid

Four shots were fired wi... six hooded men armed w... sawn-off shotguns grabb... £75,000 from the wages offi... of the Bilston works of ... British Steel Corporation in ... West Midlands yesterday. ... one was injured.

£1,500 singing award

Miss Yvonne Lee, aged 22 ... student at the Royal North... College of Music in M... chester, has been awarded ... £1,500 Miriam Licette Scho... ship for singers.

Setback for union

The Advisory, Conciliat... and Arbitration Service ... decided not to recommend t... a union representing 35 wh... collar staff of the Elec... Dynamic Construction Compa... at St Mary Cray, Kent, ... recognized.

Prince wins wings

Prince Andrew received ... RAF parachute wings inste... at Brize Norton yester... despite being prevented fr... making a final jump during ... course because of gust... winds.

Power of the unions

Workers have watched t... real incomes stagnate ... unemployment reach succ... ively higher levels, but t... have also seen their unions ... from strength to stren... Tomorrow, *The Sunday Ti...* publishes a third article in ... series analysing the role ... union power in Britain.



...e Grange, Wiltshire, the 2,000 acre estate of Sir Charles Clore, which is expected to be ...t at auction in July for more than £4m. It is near Hungerford.

...reedom for ...rl who ...lled her ...ther

... Our Correspondent

...reen Winchester, aged 17, ...Belfast, who was sentenced ...years' imprisonment ...the manslaughter of her ... has been freed under ...al prerogative of mercy. ...Winchester, of Hunter ... in the Sandy Row dis... of Belfast, stabbed her ... to death on March 21, ... The court was told that ...had sexually abused her ...she was 11.

... Roy Mason, Secretary of ... for Northern Ireland, said ...day that he felt the pro... course was to recommend ...exercise of the royal prero... He did not wish to ...ment on the legal aspects of ...case.

...is duty was to take account ...all the relevant factors. He ...id that Miss Winchester ...ld pick up the threads of a ...mal life and settle into the ...munity.

...campaigns were organized ...for and against the girl's ...ase, and rallies by both ...ups, the one organized by a ...men's rights organization and ...other by Mr Albert Win...ester, brother of the dead ..., were planned to take place ...Belfast today.

...men's rights official said ...day that the release of ... Winchester would give ...e to thousands of other ...men who might find them...es in a similar situation. ...y were planning a victory ...in the city today.

£209,000 fines in currency plot case

Lewis Altman, a stockbroker, was found guilty at Guildhall Justice-Room, London, yesterday on two charges of conspiracy to contravene the Exchange Control Act. Mr Altman, aged 60, of Willborough Road, Birchington, Kent, was also found guilty of 19 charges of making payments or placing credits to persons and companies abroad, without Treasury permission.

Robert Carnes, aged 31, of Jameson Road, Kensington, London, a stockbroker member of Mr Altman's company, was found not guilty of conspiracy but guilty of 19 charges of making payments abroad without Treasury permission.

Three companies were also found guilty of the conspiracy and of making unauthorized payments abroad. They were EIC Eurosecurities, Lewis Altman and Company, and Tricommerce Ltd.

The prosecution had alleged that a group of businessmen, some now abroad, had organized a plot in which a total of £6,600,000 was revolved around the world from company to company, earning an unlawful £2m in investment currency premiums. The moneys were not, in fact, investment currencies.

The magistrates announced fines totalling £105,000, plus £20,000 prosecution costs, against Lewis Altman and Company, and a similar fine against Mr Altman. There was no order about costs in his case. Fines totalling £3,500 were imposed on Robert Carnes.

Later, on the application of Mr Robin Auld, QC, for the defence of Mr Altman, the magistrates varied the fines to £75,000 each on the two conspiracy charges against Lewis Altman and Company, a total of £150,000, and reduced the fines on Mr Altman to a total of £55,500.

The company was given 21 days to pay and Mr Altman six months to pay.

In a written judgment the court had imposed fines totalling £1,050,000 against EIC Eurosecurities Ltd and Tricommerce Ltd, who were not represented in court.

The magistrates said: "There are palpably no immediate funds in Tricommerce Ltd, and without information we assume that EIC Eurosecurities Ltd will not be able to pay a large fine.

"We think it right to reflect in the fine the gravity of the offence and also to encourage the appropriate authorities to put the companies into liquidation in the hope that some of the penalty would be recoverable".

Named, in the charges as fellow conspirators were Judah Einstock, Eric Kohn, Jean Jasson, Michael Thorberg, Lawrence Green and Pierre Cazes, all absent abroad. In their written judgment the magistrates referred to Robert Carnes as the only other person who was a defendant in addition to Mr Altman.

Mr Auld said Mr Altman was anxious that there should be an appeal against the convictions on him and on his company, and consideration would be given to the question

Awards for design cut by recession

By Robin Young
Consumer Affairs Correspondent

The Design Council has found only three new products judged worthy of its Consumer and Contract Goods Awards this year. In previous years it has presented as many as 10 awards in the section. The sharp decline is attributed to the economic recession, not the poor standard of British designers.

The judge's for the awards said in their report that they were concerned at the low number. They thought it was the result of the economic situation, lack of investment and loss of confidence among British manufacturers.

The Design Council said that to judge by its index of industrial designs the number of new products launched last year had fallen by about 30 per cent. The craft-based industries, which have traditionally carried off about half the consumer awards, won none this year.

Two of the three manufacturers that received awards had won in previous years. Sinclair Radionics, which had won twice before, received its award for the Microvision, a pocket television set. SME Ltd won an award for its series III precision pick-up arm designed for hi-fi connoisseurs.

The third winner was the Micro folding cycle, made by Micro Cycles Ltd, of Coleshill. It weighs 27lb, can be assembled in less than a minute and can be carried in a bag on public transport as hand luggage.

...23,400 currency ...port fines

...manuel Rolf, aged 51, a ...dresser, was fined a total ...23,400 by magistrates at ...wich, Kent, yesterday after ...ting seven offences of ...lly exporting British ...ency.

... Rolf, of The Rise, St ...aret's Bay, Dover, took ...early £100,000 to buy gold ...sovereigns from a French ...and sold them at a profit ...dealer in Harrogate.

...o die in explosion

...o Belfast shipyard ...ers were killed and eight ...ed in an explosion, ...ed to have been caused ...s, on board a bulk carrier ...arland and Wolff's yard ...day. Only one was ...ed in hospital.

Spastic housewife wins fight for benefit

A spastic housewife who needs her husband's help to dress, wash the clothes and cut up her food will continue to receive invalidity benefit of £10.50 a week after a decision announced yesterday by the National Insurance Commissioner.

The Department of Health and Social Security had appealed against the award. Mrs Annette Mitchell, aged 42, a housewife in Whitefield, Greater Manchester, was awarded the benefit by a local tribunal in December.

Mrs Mitchell's claim was regarded by the Disablement Income Group as a test case. It said yesterday that a further 20,000 applications for the benefit were pending.

The department said yesterday that more than 34,500 housewives were receiving the housewives' non-contributory invalidity pension. More than a thousand had successfully appealed against a decision to refuse the benefit, and nearly 1,300 had lost their appeals.

Just over 2,000 appeals to local tribunals are still undecided and 179 appeals against the decisions of local tribunals are due to be heard by the National Insurance Commissioner.

Officials at the department did not regard Mrs Mitchell's claim as a test case, but they believe that the verdict will help to lay down guidelines for decisions in future cases.

Police chief critic of Bail Act

Mr Philip Myers, Chief Constable of North Wales, presenting his annual report yesterday, criticized the new Bail Act. He told members of the authority at Colwyn Bay: "I shudder to think what is going to happen after next week".

Mr Myers, who is president of the Association of Chief Police Officers for England Wales and Northern Ireland, added: "We seem increasingly to work not only against the odds of the criminally minded but the odds of the do-gooders and the people who claim to speak in the cause of democracy and the freedom of the individual." The Bail Act was an example of that, he added.

PARLIAMENT, April 21, 1978

Privilege not breached in DPP memorandum to editors: naming must remain issue for courts

House of Commons

The Speaker, Mr George Thomas, made the following ruling:

The House will recall that yesterday evening points of order were raised in relation to a communication to the press from the Director of Public Prosecutions.

According to this communication, it was not accepted that despite the naming of a certain person on the floor of the House of Commons, that publication of his name would nonetheless not be a contempt of court even if it was part of a report of the proceedings in the House.

During the course of raising these points of order, Mr Graham Page (Crosby, C) sought consent that the matter should be given immediate precedence over the existing business as a matter of privilege.

I did not then feel able to give such consent but undertook to rule on the matter this morning. Mr Page has since confirmed his request in writing.

I have given the most careful thought to his request and to the terms of the message of which the complaint was made.

It is quite clear that no attempt of any kind has been made to obstruct the due publication of our *Official Report*. The warning was addressed solely to the media.

Were this warning to be followed by legal action, it would not be the first time that reports of parliamentary debates in the press have been the subject of proceedings in the courts.

As stated on page 81 of *Erskine May*, there is a distinction between the absolute privilege of MPs speaking in the House and the qualified privilege of a publisher reporting what is spoken.

In the latter case, publication of parliamentary proceedings is protected not specifically by privilege of Parliament but on the analogy of the publication of proceedings in the courts of justice.

This principle was followed in the case of *Wason v Walter* in 1868 and no claim has been made by Parliament either at the time or since that its privileges were infringed by this or any other similar action.

Our privilege is something that was dearly obtained by our predecessors but if it is abused it will be endangered.

In view of the order of the court prohibiting disclosure of the colonel's name, I am really being asked to rule that in future any MP may use the privilege of this House to remove the matter from the jurisdiction of the courts and then to claim that the courts have no further power.

I am not prepared to give such a ruling. (Conservative cheers.)

It is, of course, open to any MP to table his or her own motion asking for the matter to be referred to the Committee of Privileges and then to seek time to have the matter debated.

But my ruling is that the Director of Public Prosecutions has in no way done anything which would justify me in giving a complaint precedence over the orders of the day.

For those reasons, I have to rule that I cannot allow this matter to have precedence over the normal course of business.

The House will recall that under the new procedure agreed by the House on February 6, it is necessary for an MP to make his complaint in writing and thereafter it is for me, if I decide against giving precedence, to inform the MP by letter.

It is not then in order for him to pursue the matter of precedence in the chamber. I have written in reply to Mr Page informing him of my decision. At the same time in certain circumstances, I am specifically permitted to make a statement in the House and I am following this practice in giving this ruling.

There can be no points of order on my ruling in accordance with the decision of the House itself on February 6 this year. I have indicated to the House the course that MPs should take if they wish to pursue the matter.

Mr Graham Page (Crosby, C)—May I express my humble gratitude for your considering this so fully and carefully and for the statement you have made.

The Speaker—I am much obliged.

Second employment protection Bill delayed

The Conservative Party was not trying to take sides over changes in the law on industrial relations, Mr James Prior, chief Opposition spokesman on employment (Lowestoft, C) said on the report stage of the Employment Protection (Amendment) Bill.

They believed changes to the law should be even-handed. It was on this question of even-handedness that the Opposition had concentrated most of their efforts during the passage of this Bill and the Employment Protection Bill discussed last Friday.

Mr Prior moved an amendment to Clause 1 (Agreements restricting references of recognition issues to ACAS) requiring that any such agreement between independent trade unions should be a formal, written agreement.

He said the Opposition had always found this clause particularly objectionable. They believed the two private members Bills were totally one-sided.

The clause did not actually prevent a union from taking a case to ACAS, but the union that did so could render itself liable to legal action, such as expulsion, by the TUC and the union affected would not be protected in such action by the use of the courts.

Mr Ian Mikardo (Tower Hamlets, Bethnal Green and Bow, Lab) said there was a problem about the word "formal". He was told it was an indefinable word in law and to put it in would create obscurity. He saw the danger that people could say there was an agreement without anyone being able to say whether there was or not because it had never been committed to writing.

He would be happy to put forward an amendment, if this one was withdrawn, to provide that the agreement should be in writing.

Mr Arthur Palmer (Bristol, North East, Lab) said his union, the Electrical Power Engineers' Association, had been affiliated to the TUC for 40 years. He had been anxious to serve on the standing committee on the Bill but had not been selected. He had in his possession correspondence with the chairman of the committee of selection.

I was told (he said) that as I was an opponent of the Bill I was not regarded as eligible for the standing committee. (Conservative protests.)

He was anxious that Mr Mikardo should confirm that unless amended the purpose of Clause 1 was to prevent any trade union affiliated to the TUC from having recourse to ACAS on a recognition dispute except with the permission of the TUC. This removed the existing statutory rights of TUC affiliated unions in the sense that if the Bill became law the TUC could expel with impunity any affiliated union having recourse to ACAS against its wishes. He regarded this as most oppressive.

Mr Harold Walker, Minister of State for Employment (Doncaster, Lab), said he hoped it would be accepted that Mr Mikardo had shown a readiness to come to terms with the Opposition about the first amendment and that subject to the need to get the right legal formula which could perhaps be done in the Lords, it would be possible to withdraw it.

A closure motion was carried by 117 votes to 23—majority in favour, 94, and the amendment was rejected by 118 votes to 26—majority against, 92.

Number of members: Mr Ian Gow (Eastbourne, C) moved an amendment to ensure that particular attention was paid to the number of employees who were registered members of the trade unions concerned where there was a recognition dispute.

Mr Mikardo said he had never heard of a case in which attention was not paid to the number of members. Nevertheless, Mr Gow's argument was weighty. Although what the amendment sought was the present practice, if it was said it might not always be so, and because of that the authority of the House should be put behind the continuation of the present practice, he would find it difficult to dissent.

He was advised that the present wording might cause difficulty but if the amendment was withdrawn, he would seek to have another considered in the Lords.

Mr Harold Walker said that all MPs knew the exercise the Opposition were engaged on, to talk irrelevantly in order to consume the time of the House and avoid a conclusion being reached on the Bill (Conservative protests).

The use of the words "particular attention" in the amendment would suggest that attention should be paid to numbers in a way which might exclude other relevant factors or give undue weight to numbers when other factors should be taken into account.

Mr Barney Hayhoe, an Opposition spokesman on employment (Hounslow, Brentford and Isleworth, C) said the authorities of the House should be asked to look into the curious fact that four members of the standing committee on the Bill came from a single union, ASTMS.

The amendment was rejected by 108 votes to 35, majority against 73.

The report stage was adjourned.

House adjourned 4.41 pm.

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of Parliament in the centre of our output. The BBC would be very culpable if we were said to be selling Parliament short.

At the outset, he said, the BBC was "fairly well agreed" as to what was needed. "You have to remember that we did an experiment on medium wave and if, when it became permanent, we had immediately switched to VHF, we could have been accused by MPs of selling it on false pretences."

VHF did not reach some parts of the country and in the autumn Radio 4 would go over to long wave and Scotland and Wales would stay on medium wave.

Mr Trethowan said the BBC would have a deficit of £15m by the end of July. It was difficult to be precise about how much more would be wanted in licence fees because of inflation and because it was not known how many colour licences would be wanted or what the next pay round would be.

"But we shall certainly be asking for an increase to last at least three years (last July's was for only one) so that we can plan properly and free ourselves from the situation of being in almost perpetual negotiation."

The extra cost of, say, quarterly rather than annual collections of the licence fee might be so great as to make it untenable, but that was primarily a matter for the Post Office. "We would willingly cooperate with any system."

In his first six months as director-general the BBC had had some "absolutely smashing" programmes and was now launched on a six-year Shakespeare project; "a pretty substantial act of faith".

The corporation was proceeding with plans for developments, particularly in Wales and Scotland; for reequipping one or two local radio stations, and



Mr Trethowan: "Some smashing programmes."

for relocating the Newcastle upon Tyne headquarters, all on the assumption that enough money would come from licence fees.

"Our outstanding strength is foreign reporting; terribly expensive with the devalued pound, but it is more important than ever to bring in as much foreign reporting and to have as many foreign correspondents as we can afford", he said.

"We have built up in the last ten years a good deal of skill and expertise in our journalism and I should like to strengthen still further our specialist journalism."

Mr Trethowan, who has toured the regions extensively since he took over, said: "If the Annan committee [on the future of broadcasting] went round regional television now they would form a very different impression." The regions were getting better opportunities and had overcome at least some of their equipment difficulties. They were ready for further development.

Mr Trethowan mentioned the danger that uncertainty about the future of broadcasting might undermine the BBC's creative and editorial purpose. "We are working hard to prevent it happening," he said. "Programme-makers know the BBC cannot exempt itself from the nation's overall economic problems and they know the BBC has a special position and a sensitive responsibility. To some extent we must find our reserves from within ourselves."

The different units should be left reasonably free to run themselves.

"We must accept that we are going to be subject to a lot of pressure from all kinds of sources. We must learn to live with it and be responsive to legitimate public concerns; to use the power of television and radio responsibly so we can earn the right to continue to exercise our independence." Editorial independence was crucial.

Mr Trethowan said it was basically unhealthy that consistently there was such a financial imbalance between the public and private sectors in broadcasting.

Pay anomalies were driving skilled people away to commercial television and industry. There was a case before the central arbitration committee.

"The Cowgills can be replaced [a reference to Mr Bryan Cowgill, former controller, BBC 1 and director-designate, BBC news and current affairs, who became Thames Television's managing director last October]. But when you have spent two or three years training a technician or engineer and he goes off for a couple of thousand more, that is where the operation is undermined. We are actually unable to carry our all the capital projects we want to, and could finance, because of the shortage of skilled engineers."

AN APPEAL TO GENERAL ZIA UL-HAQ, MILITARY RULER OF PAKISTAN

No-one of course, has the right of intervention in Pakistan's internal affairs. But sometimes good friends – who believe in the democratic process, together with a free press and independent judiciary as its essential pillars – might be permitted to put in a timely word.

You assured Mr. Callaghan, as you have sincerely assured other world leaders, of your intention to bring back democracy to Pakistan. Yet there is no doubt (at least in the view of the rest of the world) that if Mr. Bhutto's appeal against his death sentence is denied and he is executed, democracy may face a further and perhaps fatal set-back in troubled Pakistan.

No papers in Pakistan have been permitted to publish details of Mr. Bhutto's appeal against his death sentence. (The Court record of his trial is incomplete and is unavailable in complete form to the press or the Defence.) No paper in Pakistan, except one, whose Lahore editor has since been imprisoned, reported statements in Bhutto's defence at his trial. The Government-owned TV and radio stations were silent.

Bhutto is the target: but is the victim democracy? That is the question people are asking.

We wish Pakistan well. We wish stability, not division. We long to see the return to democracy and freedom you promised last year.

Yet what will happen to Pakistan if its former Prime Minister's appeal against the death sentence is rejected?

The Daily Telegraph (March 21 editorial):– "There will be justified and widespread outrage if Mr. Bhutto is hanged".

The Times (Richard Wigg March 23):– "If Mr. Bhutto were executed a shudder of revulsion would cross Asia. Its political class would be aghast at such a precedent by Pakistan's soldiers".

The Irish Times (March 23 editorial):– "International revulsion will isolate Pakistan even more than is already the case".

The Spectator (George Hutchinson March 25):– "To execute Mr. Bhutto would be to martyr him. If the sentence is upheld and carried out, the Republic of Pakistan will be lastingly disgraced – to the detriment of the wider Islamic world".

The Economist (March 25):– "To execute Mr. Bhutto would be to set an awesome precedent for the conduct of politics, in this part of the world if not elsewhere. That single fact may yet save Mr. Bhutto's life".

The Daily Telegraph (Bruce Loudon March 27):– "The reality, many observers agree, is that all his (General Zia's) calculations could go awry because of ferment over the Bhutto death sentence".

The Wall Street Journal (March 28 editorial):– "If, in the weeks ahead, his (Bhutto's) neck is stretched by the hangman's noose, there will surely be a lot of blood spilled in Pakistan.... It is too late in the twentieth century to be hanging democrats".

The Daily Telegraph (David Harris March 30):– "There seems certain to be a marked deterioration in Britain's relationships with a country which is still treated as something of a special case".

The Guardian (April 1 editorial):– "The outlook for civil strife in Pakistan will be grim. Accountability, on the Zia model will not have operated because many millions will see it as retribution".

The Daily Telegraph (April 6):– "More than 100 MPs of all parties have signed a Commons motion that the execution of Mr. Bhutto would cause revulsion and do immense damage to the standing of Pakistan abroad".

The Observer (Simon Henderson April 9):– "If Zia hangs Bhutto the Punjab and Sind are likely to erupt in violence".

We hope you will not regard these typical press extracts merely as examples of unwelcome outside comment or of unwarranted interference. But rather that you will see them as reflecting a very real concern for the future of Pakistan, on the part of many friends of your country.

From where we observe the scene, we still feel that you are unaware of the enormous strength of feeling, and the widespread apprehension felt throughout the world at the circumstances of Bhutto's trial and its implications for the future of Pakistan.

Is it too late to appeal to your sense of fair play as a soldier? Can you not return to the wise and hopeful views that you expressed last year about the return of democracy and democratic behaviour in Pakistan? Do you and your advisors not feel that the public hanging of Bhutto will divide Pakistan and cause untold inflammation among Pakistan's good friends serving no good purpose? As you said in a BBC TV interview last week: "We are not inhuman and we believe in justice". A sentiment with which we all agree.

Signed

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These are but a few of the numerous names that have been pledged to support this appeal to General Zia Ul-Haq.

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WEST EUROPE

French concern grows over risk of military involvement as situation in Chad deteriorates

From Charles Hargrove
Paris, April 21

The sharp deterioration of the situation in Chad, and a risk of French military involvement in support of the regime of General Felix Malloum against the rebels of the National Liberation Front (Frolinat), were discussed by President Giscard d'Estaing with the Foreign and Defence Ministers, and the Minister for Cooperation.

The Elysée spokesman confirmed that two French military experts had been killed last Saturday in operations against the rebels at Salal, some 240 miles north-east of Ndjamena, the capital of Chad.

He denied that reinforcements of the Foreign Legion had been sent to Chad. "There are no other departures of French military personnel for Chad than those who are sent out to relieve experts on the ground", he said.

According to reliable reports, however, 200 or 300 men of the 1st Regiment of the Foreign Legion stationed in Orange, in the Rhône Valley, were dispatched hastily with all their equipment on Tuesday night. Two groups of Transall transport aircraft with yellow markings indicating an exceptional troop transport were seen to take off from the military base in Orange.

Further reinforcements from Orange were due to leave for Chad today. Reports from Ndjamena say that substantial quantities of French military equipment and reinforcements arrived there on Wednesday.

Later, today, M Louis de Guiringaud, the Foreign Minister, received Lieutenant-Colonel Wadal Abdelkader Kamougue, the Chad Foreign Minister, who stopped in Paris on his way to a conference of foreign ministers of Islamic countries in Dakar.

A communiqué issued after their talks said that the two ministers were "convinced that everything should be done to restore peace through negotiations and an appeal to reconciliation".

Colonel Kamougue emphasized that the Frolinat bore "the entire responsibility for the deterioration of the military situation", because of its refusal to honour the ceasefire agreed in Benghazi on March 27 and its resumption of hostilities.

President Giscard d'Estaing had lunch today with President Bongo of Gabon, who declared afterwards that they had discussed the situation in Chad. President Bongo accused Libya of arming the Frolinat rebels.

Today's conference at the Elysée had to decide how far France could afford to become involved militarily in the battle of the regular Chad Army against the Frolinat rebels. There is no doubt that the survival of the regime of General Malloum depends on the 500 odd military experts and logistical support provided by France (excluding volunteers recruited directly).

Under the cooperation agreements of 1976, these experts in Chad uniform serve as instructors and advisers to the Chad forces, but are not supposed to take part directly in military operations.

According to *Le Monde*, however, this distinction is rather artificial. The head of the Chad security services, for instance, is a French officer.

French military aid has absorbed 40 per cent of the budget of French cooperation with developing countries. Some 80m francs (about £9m) worth of military equipment, including propeller driven aircraft, helicopters and armoured cars was delivered to Chad.

The dispatch of Foreign Legion troops marks a further stage in the increase of French military assistance to Chad. The French Government considers itself bound by its agreement of 1976 to help the Ndjamena regime, as it has assisted the Mauretanian and Zairian ones, on pain of losing credibility among its friends. But how far it can afford to go was the main issue debated today.

Ndjamena, April 21.—Chad troops are reported to have halted the rebels' fast advance.

Military reports said that government troops, which had been steadily retreating under growing rebel attacks, threw back the insurgents at Salal.

The rebels lost more than 100 men in the counterattack while government troops had five killed and eight wounded, according to the authorities.—UPI.

Parents and priests guilty in exorcism death trial

From Patricia Clough
Bonn, April 21

One of th estrangest trials in recent West German history ended today with six-month suspended jail sentences for two Roman Catholic priests and the parents of a girl who died after undergoing exorcism rites.

Herr Josef and Frau Anna Michel, owners of a sawmill in Klingenberg, a small town in Catholic Lower Bavaria, were found guilty along with Father Wilhelm Renz and Father Ernst Alt, of the negligent manslaughter of Anneliese Michel, whom they believed to be possessed by devils. She died aged 23 of starvation and exhaustion after nine and a half months of exorcism practices.

Fräulein Michel, a theology student, had long suffered from convulsive attacks. Neurologists diagnosed epilepsy and said that this had led, as often happens in people from deeply religious backgrounds, to religious delusions.

But instead of seeking medical help the parents turned to the Roman Catholic Church where they found support for their belief that their daughter was possessed. On the advice of a Jesuit expert, the Right Würzburg, ordered the two priests to drive out the devils using church exorcism rites dating from 1614.

About three times a week for nine months and a half the two priests prayed and read the rites. During the sessions Fräulein Michel—or the devils—screamed at the sight of a crucifix and prayer books, cursed and blasphemed, thrashed wildly and smashed her head against the walls. She made inhuman cries and groans said to be the voices of the devils, including the spirits of Judas Iscariot, Adolf Hitler and Nero.

As the sessions continued, the court was told, Fräulein Michel became totally demented and stopped eating and drinking. She lost 44lb in weight and finally on July 1, 1976, she died of starvation and exhaustion. The prosecution maintained that medical attention would almost certainly have saved her life. Neurologists said that exorcism was the worst way of treating a person in her condition.

The tragedy has unleashed a lively debate, both inside and outside the court, about the existence of devils and the freedom of religion. The defence asserted that the court was not competent to judge a religious practice and declared that the case had turned into a "trial of the church".

Both prosecution and defence agree that the parents and the two priests sincerely believed that they were doing the right thing for the young woman. The family is convinced that her death was an atonement for the sins of others.

Disposal of Brittany waste sets problem

From Our Own Correspondent
Paris, April 21

Disposal of the oil-soaked sands and slick collected along the coast of Finistère and the Cotes du Nords by troops and volunteers is creating a problem for the authorities.

The Norwegian cargo ship Sovereign Star, stood by at Brest with 14,000 tons of waste on board, pending a decision by a ministerial meeting. Unloading of the waste was finally allowed to begin yesterday.

The Ministry for the Environment has disclosed plans for stocking the 40,000 cubic metres of liquid waste. This is being pumped to degassing stations at Brest, Le Havre and Donges, and the residue incinerated.

The solid waste, of which there is about the same quantity, is being stocked in temporary depots. This will be treated with lime and a solvent produced by a German firm. Once treated, some of the waste will be dumped in two quarries, in Finistère and on the Atlantic coast. The rest will be taken to Tregastel, to a pit with a capacity of 40,000 cubic metres.

M Christian Bonnet, the Minister of the Interior, told the National Assembly this morning in answer to a question by M Leizour, a Communist member, that the cooperation between the army, young people, and local inhabitants in clearing the polluted beaches has been "exemplary". He accused M Leizour of wanting to exploit the disaster for political ends. The Breton tourist season was not endangered.

The environment section of the Economic and Social Council, the advisory body representing all professional and trade union interests, today announced a series of draft proposals to prevent marine pollution. They will be discussed in plenary session.

One of the proposals is that in bad weather pilots should be taken on board vessels in dangerous or frequented areas, such as Ushant, where the Amoco Cadiz ran aground. The group suggests that tankers should be forbidden, wherever possible, within 12 miles of any coast.

It also recommends the creation of a European tax on goods carried under flags of convenience to provide resources for an anti-pollution fund, and the stepping up of penalties for pollution, which it says are ridiculously low. It proposes that the EEC and international organizations should take steps to stop flags of convenience and, if possible, reduce their number.

The Elysée Palace this morning said that steps were being taken in Paris and London to ensure that decisions adopted yesterday in London by the Security Council of the International Consultative Maritime Organization are implemented quickly. These involve mainly the laying down of shipping lanes at least 29 miles from the coast for tankers in the Channel. The measures were described as a "great improvement in the protection of the coastline".

Actors jailed in Spain fail to obtain amnesty

From Our Correspondent
Madrid, April 21

There will be no amnesty for the four actors recently sentenced to two years' imprisonment each for "insulting the armed forces", military authorities announced in Barcelona today.

A communiqué from the judge advocate's section of the headquarters of the Military District of Catalonia was read out to the convicted actors in their respective prisons in the presnce of their lawyers. Señorita Maria de Maeztu y Manos de Zuñiga is in the Trinidad women's prison, Señor Gabril Renom, Señor Andreu Solsona and Señor Arnau Villardebo are all in Barcelona's Model Prison.

Military authorities also disclosed that a counter-suit brought by the actors' counsel against the commander of the military district at the time of their court martial, alleging that he had falsified a public document, has been rejected on the ground that no offence was committed.

Lecturer will not return to East Germany

From Our Correspondent
Bonn, April 21

Dr Wolfgand Seiffert, a leading East German authority on economic law now lecturing at Kiel University, confirmed today that he and his family will not return to the East. He said he had the impression, when he arrived at Kiel last autumn, that "East Germany no longer desired my return".

Professor Seiffert was recently awarded the East German Order of Merit, but was thrown out of the Communist Party after applying to leave the East German Academy for Political Science and Jurisprudence and go to Kiel.

He denies reports that he was a close friend and adviser of Herr Erich Honecker, the East German Communist Party leader and also denies that he helped compile the anonymous "manifesto" of East German dissidents published here earlier this year.

Dr Seiffert fled from West to East Germany in 1956 after being sentenced to four years' imprisonment for working for a banned communist youth group. He has kept his West German nationality, and his sentence has lapsed under the Statute of Limitations.

Rubens among ten paintings stolen in Florence

Florence, April 21.—Ten paintings by old Flemish masters, including "The Three Graces" by Rubens, were stolen overnight from the Pitti Palace, the police reported today. The gallery estimated the value of the stolen paintings at 1,000m lire (£666,000).

The police speculated that the thieves had acted on specific orders because they left untouched several priceless works by Raphael and two paintings by Titian in adjacent halls.

According to the police, the thieves entered through the Boboli gardens, climbed a staircase to reach the roof and then let themselves down a rope ladder into the gallery.

Anti-burglar equipment was being installed in the Palatine wing of the Pitti Palace where theft occurred. "But it was not yet in operation", the police said.

The 23in by 14in Rubens had been acquired in 1650 by Cardinal Leopoldo dei Medici. It was the most valuable among the paintings stolen, which included four works by Cornelis van Poelenburgh, two by Paul Bril, two by Kaspar van Wittel and one by Pieter Molyn the elder.

"The Three Graces" was insured for 300m lire when it was shipped to Antwerp last year for an exhibition to mark the four-hundredth anniversary of Rubens's birth.

The police said that guards had been on duty overnight. "But they have to look after many galleries inside the Pitti Palace and the thieves had from two to three hours to act between one inspection and another."—AP.

Round-the-world voyage ends

Las Palmas, Canary Islands, April 21.—Mrs Krystyna Chojnowska-Liskiewicz today sailed back into the harbour she left more than two years ago to become the first woman to sail single-handed round the world.

Mrs Liskiewicz, who is 40, and a Pole, was greeted by a large crowd

Greek bus crash kills nine

Kozani, Greece, April 21.—An inter-city bus bound for Athens with 45 passengers on board plunged 200ft into a ravine last night, killing nine people and injuring 36, the police reported.

OVERSEAS



Lord Richard Cecil boarding an aircraft in Rhodesia.

Journalist killed by guerrillas

From Frederick Cleary
Salisbury, April 21

Lord Richard Cecil, a British journalist, was shot dead by guerrillas in the north-eastern operational area of Rhodesia while filming action between a guerrilla gang and Rhodesian security forces yesterday.

Aged 30 and single, he was an accredited defence correspondent and the first member of the news media to lose his life in the five-and-a-half-year war.

Lord Richard had worked as a freelance reporter and film producer in Rhodesia for about three years. He contributed articles on the war to *The Times* and other publications. Latterly he was working as a television producer and was making a film about Rhodesia when he met his death.

Mr P. K. van der Byl, the Rhodesian Foreign Minister, who was a close personal friend, said today that Lord Richard was the finest young man he knew and represented the best of everything that made the Englishman great and built the British Empire.

The Cecil family had close connexions with Rhodesia. Salisbury was named after Lord Richard's great-great-grandfather, as was Cecil Square in the city centre. Two Salisbury suburbs, Hatfield and Cranborne, were also named after family connexions, van der Byl went on.

"One generation after another of Cecils have identified themselves with this country, its struggles and aspirations. Lord Richard was trying to promote through his work that idea which all Rhodesian are working and fighting for, the ultimate settlement of this country's problems and the continuation of Rhodesia in some form which would have received the approval of his great-great-grandfather."

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Two illustrious sons of the Zwimba tribal trust land became guerrillas

Rural Africans visited

From Nicholas Ashford
Kutama, April 21

The Zwimba tribal trust land about 60 miles west of Salisbury has produced two illustrious sons in recent years.

One of them is Mr Robert Mugabe, leader of the Zanu wing of the Patriotic Front Guerrilla organization, who says he wants to see a one-party Marxist state in Rhodesia. The other is Mr James Chikerema, a former guerrilla leader, who until recently had a price on his head but is now a minister in Rhodesia's transitional government and the principal lieutenant of one of its architects, Bishop Abel Muzorewa.

Both men studied at St Francis Xavier College at Kutama, one of the country's leading black secondary schools, which is run by French-Canadian Marist brothers. Both of them, paradoxically, technically owe allegiance to another member of the transitional government, Chief Jeremiah Chiran, leader of the tribally based Zimbabwe United People's Organization (Zupo) and the local paramount chief.

Mr Chikerema has recently returned to his native region. He has purchased a farm costing about £20,000 and can sometimes be seen speeding around his estate in a newly acquired Range Rover.

Mr Mugabe remains outside the country directing his guerrilla armies. But his brother's family still lives in the house where he was brought up—a ramshackle, asbestos-roofed cottage close to Kutama College. The car which he bought just before he was detained in 1964 is still parked in the garden, although it is now without wheels and other essential parts.

Mr Mugabe's continued absence from the area seems to have enhanced rather than diminished his reputation. The mention of his name brought an immediate and warm response from the residents to whom I talked during a visit to the area.

It is hard for a stranger, and particularly a white one, to probe the innermost feelings of a group of Africans he is meeting for the first time. If you are white they are likely to tell you they support one of the internal black leaders who are now sharing power with whites in the interim government.

However, during conversations with about 30 people—teachers, students, priests, traders and out-of-work local inhabitants—I found only one man who supported the interim government, the rest were either committed Patriotic Front supporters or else believed that the Patriotic Front would win an election if freely and fairly held.

There was near unanimity among them as to what they wanted to happen in Rhodesia: They wanted an end to the fighting and "genuine" independence. They did not believe the internal agreement negotiated by Mr Ian Smith, the Prime Minister, could provide either unless the Patriotic Front was involved.

Almost all of them had in the past supported the Bishop Muzorewa or Ndabaningi Sithole, another member of the interim government, but had shifted their allegiance. One teacher, like everyone else I spoke to declined to give his name for fear of reprisal, said: "I used to support Muzorewa because I thought he was in touch with Mugabe and could get genuine independence. But now I think he is as bad as Smith."

He disrusted Rev Sithole, regarded Chief Chirau as a "stooge". Nor did he particularly care for Mr Joshua Nkomo, co-leader of the Patriotic Front, but accepted that he had wide support among the Ndebeles in western Rhodesia.

Another teacher said: "I know who would win if an election was held here. It would be Mugabe. He represents the educated people and the rural people. Muzorewa does not have any support outside Salisbury."

The rural Africans are remarkably well informed about what is taking place across Rhodesia's borders, more than many whites. They listen to the BBC and the local radio and at 8 pm tune in to the Voice of Free Zimbabwe beamed from Maputo. I have heard Mr Mugabe's remarks about creating a Marxist state and do not agree with him, but they blame Mr Smith and Britain for forcing him to adopt extreme positions.

The release of several hundred detainees did not seem to have made much impression. "We want independence, not gestures", a local businessman said. If the authorities were being forced to take such steps, it was due to the guerrillas and not because of anything the internal black leaders had done.

There can be no doubt that whatever credit the interim government may gain by releasing detainees in the weeks ahead will be forfeited in the rural areas if the security forces continue to harass the local people and shoot curfew breakers. Zwimba is, in fact, one of the least troubled parts of the country, but everyone seemed to have a personal story about how they or their families had been maltreated by the security forces.

"It is not the guerrillas we terrorize us but the troops", said one. It is hard to judge whether this was genuinely meant or merely said for effect, but he and others referred to the guerrillas as "the boys" (*vana mukoma*—your brothers) and there could be no doubt that any guerrillas in the area would receive the silent support of the local inhabitants.

The one supporter of the interim government I found was a young hitch-hiker who, travelling back to Salisbury, thought the government was working and criticized Britain and the United States for supporting the Patriotic Front rather than the internal leaders. He admitted he had a vested interest in the interim government's survival: He was Chikerema's son.

First of Chilean political prisoners freed to cheers

From Florencia Varas
Santiago, April 21

With cries of joy the first 69 people to benefit from the recent amnesty decreed by the Chilean government were freed from jail yesterday.

As they left prisons in Santiago, they were hugged and cheered by relatives, friends and representatives of the Vicaria de Solidaridad (a Roman Catholic organization which aids political prisoners), as well as members of the Intergovernmental Committee of European Migrations (ICEM) and several religious organizations.

The freed prisoners assembled outside the prisons, shouting political slogans, and sang the Internationale. Afterwards they were taken to their homes in cars provided by ICEM and Vicaria.

About 1,000 prisoners throughout Chile will be freed under the decree signed two days ago by the military junta. The decree grants amnesty to anyone tried and convicted by a military tribunal since September 11, 1973.

Since the 1973 military coup which overthrew President Salvador Allende, about 20,000 Chileans have left the country, the majority after claiming asylum in embassies in Santiago. Some, including several leaders of the Christian Democratic Party, were expelled by presidential order.

Chileans in exile who now wish to return will have to apply to the Ministry of the Interior through with Chilean consulate in their country of residence. However, spokesmen for the United Nations in Santiago are sceptical about the practical effects of this part of the decre and point out that for the pas five years exiles have in principle been able to return subject to criteria determined by the government.

These sources estimate that perhaps only 2,000 of the estimated 20,000 Chileans abroad will be able to benefit from the amnesty.

Almost the entire family of the late President Allende are among the exiles, including his wife, his sister Laura and her son, Señor Andres Pascal Allende, a leader of the Revolutionary Movement (MIR).

Also counted among the exiles are the surviving former ministers of Señor Allende's government, as well as Señor Carlos Altamirano, a leader of the Socialist Party, and Señor Luis Corvalan, the secretary-general of the Communist Party.

Drastic action: President Augusto Pinochet said the Chilean Government was determined democracy but would take drastic action against anyone who tried to "play politics or create internal disorder."

In a brief speech after swearing in three civilian ministers at Government House, General Pinochet said the military government was moving gradually towards a return to democracy.

"We must move surely towards a new democracy with the characteristics of the present era which will ensure the peace, liberty and progress of all Chileans".

Soviet move at UN to replace defecting officia

From Our Own Correspondent
New York, April 21

Mr Oleg Troyanovsky, Soviet representative at United Nations, called on Kurt Waldheim, the Secretary-General, last night to discuss the case of Mr Arkady Shevchenko.

Two weeks ago Mr Shevchenko, the senior Soviet official on the United Nations staff, left his post because of differences with his Government. Dr Waldheim was abroad at the time and returned here only on Wednesday.

The job of Under-Secretary for Political and Security Council Affairs is traditionally the gift of the Soviet Government and Mr Troyanovsky is to be assumed to have told Dr Waldheim that the Russians wanted Mr Shevchenko replaced by a new nominee of their.

Mr Shevchenko is technically on leave but there is no doubt he will be replaced, though the terms have still to be settled.

It has been suggested that Mr Shevchenko may have become involved with United States intelligence.

Leon Spinks is arrested again

St Louis, April 21.—Leon Spinks, the World Boxing Association heavyweight champion, was arrested early today after failing to produce a driving licence. Police said he was also under investigation for possible drug violations.

Greta Garbo still wants to be alone

From Michael Leapman
New York, April 21

Greta Garbo, the film actress famour for wanting to be alone, is still bent on protecting her privacy. In an affidavit yesterday she denounced a book purporting to be her authorized biography *In her own words*, saying that she was not acquainted with its author.

Mr Richard Snyder, president book's publishers, is so furious at Miss Garbo's action that he spoke yesterday of "a conspiracy of international proportions to censor and prevent publication o fthis work". He added ironchantly: "We won't be denied the right to publish a literary work about a public personality because she wants to be left alone".

The work is by Mr Antoni Gronowicz, a Polish émigré who says he has known Miss Garbo since 1938. Miss Garbo, however, through her New York lawyer, says: "I have never at any time entertained any type of human relationship whether of friendship, acquaintance or otherwise, with Antoni Gronowicz".

According to *The New York Times* today, people who have seen the manuscript say it is sensational, containing details of sexual relationships. The agreement between the author and the publisher states that it can be published only after the death of Miss Garbo, who is 71.

Because of the star's disclaimer, a Paris published who paid $110,000 for the French rights is reported to be seeking to cancel the contract. A spokesman for Simon and Schuster said today that the British rights have not yet been sold.

Simon and Schuster are believed to have paid Mr Gronowicz an advance of $150,000 (£63,000) on the manuscript. Mr Snyder is clearly convinced of its validity and said yesterday: "If we remain satisfied that the work is what it purports to be we will prosecute to the limit of the law those figures involved in attempts to suppress the book."

Mr Gronowicz originally agreed to write the book for another publisher, Dodd, Mead and Co. But they cancelled the agreement in 1972 because, according to Mr Thomas L. Bransteen, then editor-in-chief, the writer did not produce documentation to prove that Miss Garbo had authorized the work.

OVERSEAS

Turkish proposals for Cyprus are made public in full detail

By Edward Mortimer

The full text of the Turkish proposals on Cyprus, as submitted to Dr Kurt Waldheim, the United Nations Secretary General, last week and rejected by President Kyprianou on Wednesday, was made public in London yesterday by Mr Kostas Ashiotis, the Cyprus High Commissioner.

The proposals are divided into three sections, of which by far the longest concerns the proposed constitution for the future "independent, non-aligned, bicommunal and bizonal federal state".

As outlined, this would consist of two virtually independent "federated states", linked together by a minimal federal structure in which the two communities would be equally balanced at every point.

Persons holding federal office would always be elected or chosen by their own community, never by the other community or by the whole electorate. The federal executive would be headed jointly by the presidents of the two federated states, alternating every two years as the formal "president of the federal republic".

The foreign secretary and the president of the federal assembly would always be from the community other than that of the president of the republic, while the president of the federal constitutional court would always be of the same community.

The federal republic would have no armed forces of its own. Its external defence would be "conjointly secured by the land forces of the federated states stationed in their respective territories".

There would be no joint command, but "for purposes of coordination the two commanders of the respective land forces of the federated states and their headquarters shall meet and work together as they deem necessary".

Foreign affairs would be a federal responsibility but "without prejudice to the right of the two federated states to enter into any agreement with any country, particularly their respective motherlands, including the accordance of the most-favoured nation treatment to the said motherlands".

Each federated state would have its own central bank, but with coordination by a federal reserve board. Federal legislation would normally require the consent of the two separate legislative assemblies, each voting separately.

The federal assembly, composed of 10 delegates from each of the legislative assemblies, would meet only in the event of a presidential veto, or when the two assemblies adopted the same law with different amendments. If a law were passed by the casting vote of the president of the federal assembly, there would be separate referendums in the two federated states.

The different departments of the federal executive are assigned an essentially coordinating rather than directly executive role.

But the "Economic Coordination Board" would have the task of "advising the appropriate organs with a view to ensuring progressive integration of economic and financial functions of banking, foreign exchange, monetary affairs, imposition of federal charges and fees, customs duties and tariffs, etc", and of securing "with the growth of mutual trust, cooperation and confidence, the progressive transfer to the federal republic of the above powers and functions".

Freedom of movement and residence is also proclaimed, but its implementation is to "be determined by the respective legislation or administrative acts of the federated states through mutually agreed provisions and measures". The Turkish-Cypriot authorities would thus be able to prevent any Greek-Cypriot immigration into their zone which they considered threatened their security or the bizonal character of the republic.

The much shorter territorial section of the proposals lists the six areas where "the line existing between the Turkish-Cypriot and Greek-Cypriot zones shall be readjusted". These are: Kokkina, Avlona, Lourijina, Turilli, Akhina and "the area between the south of Varosha and Dherinia". The proposed "readjustments" also include "most of the areas falling between the forward defence lines", which is the buffer zone at present held by United Nations forces.

The Turkish-Cypriots also propose to relinquish their rights to land and buildings in the British sovereign base areas; presumably implying that these would be included in the Greek zone if Britain were ever to move out.

The third section of the proposals deal with Varosha, stipulating that Greek-Cypriots and others who return there "will be subject to the laws and regulations of the Turkish Federated State of Cyprus", and that Greek-Cypriots will be allowed to settle only "to the south of Demokratia and Asteroskopiou Avenues and east of Dherinia Avenue".

Prominent US Jews back Israeli peace group

From Linda Charlton
Washington, April 21

A group of 37 American Jews, including rabbis, scholars, writers and community leaders, has sent a message of support to the leaders of an Israeli peace group that held a rally urging Mr Menachem Begin, the Prime Minister, to show greater flexibility on issues of peace with the Arabs.

The signatories included Saul Saul Bellow, the Nobel Prize winning author, Mr Seymour Martin Lipset, a political scientist, and Mr Irving Levine, of the American Jewish Committee. To make a break with the tradition of American Jewish public support of Israel was clearly not something easily undertaken.

The message was sent to Mr Bezalel Reshef, a Jerusalem law student, who is the leader of a group that held a rally in Tel Aviv earlier this month.

The message, which was made available to *The New York Times*, said in part:

". . . We are distressed by the dangerous Middle East policies of the American Government; we are troubled by the fact that the Israeli Government has made it easier for the Carter Administration to win support for those policies.

"We are concerned at the apparent readiness of Western nations to abandon Israel; we are disturbed by the fact that the Israeli Government is providing those nations with ready-made excuses for their behaviour.

"We are pledged to work on Israel's behalf and we shall never rest in fulfilling our pledge, but the continuing expansion of settlements during the negotiating process, the apparent revision of Israel's interpretation of the United Nations Resolution 242, the apparent insistence that indefinite military occupation of the entire West Bank is a contribution rather than a threat to Israel's security, make our task infinitely more difficult.

"That is why we greet the emergence of a grass-roots peace movement in Israel, committed as we are to safety as well as to peace, with delight and relief. . . ."—New York Times News Service.

Jerusalem, April 21.—Leaders of Israel's peace movement who met Mr Begin today said he had refused to surrender any of the occupied West Bank as a concession for peace.

"We are very disappointed because the Prime Minister said he won't give up Judea and Samaria (the West Bank)", Mr Omri Padan said.—UPI.



President Carter wearing an Indian chief's headdress presented to him yesterday by Iron Eyes Cody, a Cherokee.

Six killed in shootings at Nigerian university

Lagos, April 21.—Six people were killed and 14 others were critically wounded when police and troops opened fire yesterday on demonstrating university students in Zaria, central Nigeria, it was reported here today.

The Government-owned daily newspaper *New Nigerian*, based in Kaduna, said that the students at Ahmadu Bello University were protesting against increased boarding and living fees. The deaths, if confirmed, bring total fatalities this week to eight in the nationwide demonstrations on the student issues. A student and a pregnant woman were killed in the first protests at Lagos University on Tuesday. The university was subsequently closed indefinitely.

Nigeria has 13 university towns and poor communications make it difficult to know the situation in other parts of the country. However, first editions of provincial newspapers arriving here in the capital today gave the following picture:

Ahmadu Bello University in Zaria: six dead, 14 seriously injured, students ordered to clear the campus.

University of Lagos: two dead, university temporarily closed.

University of Ibadan: under siege by riot police.

University of Benin: 200 students arrested.

University of Ilorin: peaceful demonstration in memory of dead Lagos University student.

University of Nigeria, Enugu campus: 500 students barricade main entrance.

Bayero University in Kano: students join classes boycott in protest over the clash with police at Lagos University.

University of Ife: police reportedly beat up a journalist and woman staff member.

In the Constituent Assembly yesterday, members of the all-civilian body were given a dressing down by Lieutenant-General Olusegun Obasanjo, the head of state.

Nigeria is passing through its darkest days since the end of its three-year civil war in 1970, he told the Assembly, which is debating the constitution for the second republic that is to be established.

General Obasanjo's use of the unmentionable phrase "hatred based on religion, ethnic affiliations or language" was proof enough that the ruling Supreme Military Council was seriously concerned about recent developments and particularly in the Constituent Assembly.

The reason for concern was a two-week boycott of the Assembly by a third of its 230 members to protest at the hasty manner in which it was decided to reject the proposed creation of a federal Sharia (Islamic) appeal court and instead to ensure that the standing Federal Court of Appeal included on the bench three people versed in Koranic law.

It became clear that the protest was primarily about procedural matters, but for the nation it seemed to represent a resurgence of the ethnic and religious differences that killed the first republic more than 12 years ago and led to the civil war.

Long jail terms for drugs charge women

From Our Correspondent
Melbourne, April 21

Two American women were sentenced to 14 years' imprisonment by a Sydney court today for possession of 1.9 tonnes of cannabis resin, said to be worth $A12m (£7.5m).

Vera Todd Hays, aged 60, and Florice Marie Bessire, 61, both pleaded guilty. They had imported the resin into Australia in secret compartments in the floor of a camper van shipped from Bombay in December.

Both women come from La Pine, Oregon. Mr Justice James Staunton said that they both had led blameless lives before becoming involved in the operation. He rejected their defence that they had thought that the van contained a small amount of marijuana for the personal use of Mrs Hays's nephew. He said that the operation had been carefully and exhaustively planned.

During the trial it was alleged that the nephew, Mr Vernon Todd, had offered the women $25,000 to drive the van from Stuttgart to Bombay, where they were offered $200,000 to take the van by ship to Sydney. It was said that the organizers of the scheme believed that two elderly women, posing as "adventurous travellers" would attract little suspicion.

At an earlier hearing a federal narcotics officer told the court that warrants had been issued for the arrest of Vernon Leonard Todd and Phillip Shine on a charge of having conspired together and with Mrs Hays and Miss Bessire to import cannabis resin illegally into Australia.

Miss Bessire was arrested at Sydney airport on January 31 as she was about to board a flight for the United States. Mrs Hays was arrested on February 2 after being discharged from a Sydney hospital. They had been followed for weeks by narcotics squad agents.

The cannabis was found by a customs agent who drilled six holes in their van. The Australian Bureau of Narcotics allowed the women to collect the van, then had them followed over a large part of eastern Australia before finally making the arrests.

Eritrea at heart of Cuban visit

Havana, April 21.—Lieutenant-Colonel Mengistu Haile-Mariam, the Ethiopian leader, arrives here today for an official visit during which he will discuss Eritrea with President Fidel Castro and other Cuban leaders.

Although officially this is the first time that Colonel Mengistu has been in Cuba, some diplomats in Havana believe that he made a secret journey here last October. It was at the end of last November, according to Dr Castro, that the Ethiopian Government, faced with a critical situation in the Ogaden war, asked Cuba for military aid against the Somali insurgents.

There is no doubt that Eritrea will be at the centre of the talks in Cuba. Earlier this month Ethiopia launched an offensive against the Eritrean secessionists, and there have been fears that Cuban military help would be given.

But there is no reason to believe that Cuba will encourage Colonel Mengistu to settle his Eritrean problem by war alone. Indeed, it is rumoured that a delegation of the Eritrean Liberation Front has left for Havana, but this has not been confirmed.

Addis Ababa: Ethiopian radio said last night that Grazmatch Asfaw Dilnesaw, a landlord and bureaucrat under the Selassie regime, had been executed in central Shewa province after confessing in prison to murders, looting, plunder and arson.

Peking: China will take over work on aid projects begun by Sovier experts before their expulsion from Somalia last year, a Somali source said here today at the end of the visit by President Siad Barre.—Agence France-Presse.

American envoy starts Cairo consultations

Cairo, April 21.—Mr Alfred Atherton, America's special Middle East envoy, arrived here today for talks with President Sadat and other Egyptian leaders as part of a move to restart peace negotiations.

In a brief airport statement, he emphasized America's commitment to "spare no effort to find ways of making progress towards, and ultimately achieving a just and lasting and comprehensive peace settlement in this region".

But he said he was bringing no American proposals for breaking the deadlock. He also said he had no invitation from President Carter for Mr Sadat to visit the United States.

"Basically, I am here simply as part of the continuing process of exchanging views, looking for new ideas, new ways to move the peace process forward", he declared.

He added that his visit was part of the American dialogue with Israel and Egypt to promote negotiations begun with President Sadat's "historic initiative"—his visit to Jerusalem last November.

He meets Mr Muhammad Ibraham Kamel, the Foreign Minister, tomorrow before flying to the Red Sea port of Hurghada on Sunday for talks with President Sadat.

Cluster bombs: Israel used American supplied cluster bombs against guerrilla targets two years before its invasion of south Lebanon, General Mordechai Gur, the former Chief of Staff, said in an interview published today (Reuter reports from Tel Aviv).

The United States has accused Israel of violating the conditions of purchase of the cluster bombs when it employed them against targets in Lebanon last month.

Mr Ezer Weizman, the Israeli Defence Minister, said in a newspaper interview published today that he had not been told of the American limitation on their use. Deployment of the bombs in south Lebanon had been a mistake, he told the newspaper Yedio Aharonot.

But General Gur, who retired from the Army this week, told the trade union daily Davar: "I personally am convinced that we did not go beyond the understanding about their use. . . . I should like to recall that we used cluster bombs two years ago to hit terrorist bases from which they were shelling our settlements."

Beirut move: Lebanon's political leaders discussed the formation of a new Government today but the outgoing interior minister warned his colleagues of a catastrophe unless they shelved their differences (Reuter reports from Beirut).

The talks come after the resignation of Mr Salim al-Hoss, the Prime Minister and his Cabinet of technocrats amid a dispute over the use of Syrian peacekeeping troops to quell fighting in Beirut last week.

An 11-man parliamentary committee representing the main political blocks and religious sects met under the chairmanship of Mr Kamel Asaard, the House Speaker. Mr Asaad told reporters agreement had been reached on all basic issues

United Nations cash: A committee of the world organization today voted £280m for the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (Unifil).

Mrs Ford tells of alcohol and drugs addiction

Long Beach, April 21.—Mrs Betty Ford, formerly America's first lady, disclosed today that she has found herself addicted to alcohol as well as drugs taken as medication for arthritis.

Officials at the Long Beach Naval Hospital, where she has been treated, said Mr Gerald Ford, the former President, has been attending seminars on drug addiction to help cure his wife when she returns home.

Dr Joe Pursch, head of the hospital's alcohol and drug rehabilitation department, said he believed that Mrs Ford, aged 60, would stop drinking altogether when she left the hospital after several weeks.

Describing his patient as "a gutsy lady", Dr Pursch said that Mrs Ford was doing "extremely well". He said that no illicit drugs were used in her treatment.—Reuter.

King to visit Japan

Katmandu, April 21.—King Birendra of Nepal, who studied at Tokyo University in 1967, will pay a state visit to Japan from May 15 to 21, his first since he ascended the throne in 1972, it was announced today.

'Last UN peace offer' to Pretoria urged by chief

From Ray Kennedy
Johannesburg, April 21

A call for the United Nations Security Council to convene a peace conference on southern Africa has been made by Chief Gatsha Buthelezi, the Zulu leader.

If white South Africans refused to take part, he said, it would show that they endorsed violence as the only method to bring about change.

Chief Buthelezi, the most outspoken of the South African black homeland leaders and head of Inkatha, the powerful Zulu cultural movement, made his proposal during an eight-hour policy speech yesterday to the KwaZulu Legislative Assembly at Ulundi in Zululand.

In his speech yesterday Chief Buthelezi said economic sanctions would be insignificant compared to the hurt which whites and blacks could inflict on each other once all were convinced that peaceful change was impossible.

A conference convened by the Security Council should be the last offer to South Africa by the international community, he said.

He reminded South African whites of the vulnerability of the economy if blacks decided to wield their numerical strength in the labour field. "Our numbers are our biggest asset which, if used on the basis of white dependence on black labour, would destroy overnight the economy of South Africa."

Chief Buthelezi's speech contained, naturally enough, a strong plug for the Inkatha movement and the alliance it has formed with the Coloured Labour Party and the Indian Reform Party. He said that both the left and right within the white community formed a "very anti-black alliance", and it was necessary for blacks to build a platform on which to meet the white rulers and speak to them with one voice.

"We offer the hand of reconciliation to our white countrymen and we want change through non-violence.

Only a real change of fundamentals could ward off the growth of violence. But black unity, he said, was threatened by areas where the black man's birthright as a South African had been "sold for an empty independence", a clear reference to the dispute between South Africa and the Transkei homeland.

Moscow builds more carriers of Kiev class

By Henry Stanhope
Defence Correspondent

The Soviet Union is reported to be building at least 10 more aircraft carriers of the Kiev class, Mr Callaghan, the Prime Minister, said yesterday.

The Soviet building plans and their naval deployment showed that they regarded their navy as a global instrument of Soviet power. This massive expansion meant that the Royal Navy was more important now than ever before, he added, when opening a £51m fleet maintenance base at Devonport.

"The Soviet Union can now use its fleet to lie astride the traditional sea routes

"No wonder, in this situation, that the build-up of conventional arms continues to accelerate worldwide", he added. It was up to the Russians to exercise restraint "Until this happens Western governments must continue to improve their capacity to safeguard their shipping

China says boats fished off Japan by accident

Peking, April 21 China has told Japan that the presence of Chinese boats near Tiaoyu (Senkaku) island was an "accident," a diplomatic source said here today.

The Chinese reply was delivered to Mr Mitsuro Donovaki, counsellor at the Japanese Embassy in Peking, by Mr Wang Hsiao-yun.

The conclusion was the result of an "investigation," Mr Wang said, according to a Japanese source. The two discussed the incident during an hour-long meeting at which the Japanese for the second time presented a protest note. China had rejected the Note last Friday. Mr Wang, said that the presence of Chinese fishing boats last week in territorial waters claimed by Japan round Tiaoyo island was not "a special case".

He added that China had taken the necessary steps for the dispute to be seen in the context of larger friendly relations.—Agence France-Presse.

Report of suicide and shooting in British handover to Soviet authorities

Russian prisoners 'were shamelessly deceived'

By Peter Hennessy and John Crossland

The British military authorities deceived Russians held in transit camps in Italy in 1946–47 in order to get them on to trains for repatriation, according to an anonymous report disclosed in volume three of the file on Operation Keelhaul, released by the Public Record Office yesterday.

The report refers to the transport of the refugees from a concentration camp at Rimini in 1947:

On the night of May 8 the British made a breach in the barbed wire fence of the division, a large detachment of armed soldiers entered the camp and the prisoners were searched. All cutting things, including bottles, flasks and tins were taken away from the prisoners. They were also deprived of British clothing they were wearing and given old German uniforms.

In the morning a very large number of British troops was brought to the beach and the loading of lorries with prisoners began. Fifteen men were put in every lorry. Fresh parties of 15 were taken away only when the lorry returned from its outward journey.

The lorry was escorted by two jeeps with machine guns, by motor cyclists and by the car with radio equipment. Nobody knew where they were taken. All routes to the near by towns and the railway station were surrounded by British troops and a detachment of Italian carabinieri.

Each party of 15 was met at the station by the men of a British parachute battalion with Tommy guns at the ready. Men of this unit are known to have taken part in similar operations previously. Russians were disembarked from the lorry and led through an avenue bristling with machine guns to a railway carriage specially fitted for transportation of dangerous criminals.

Only then did the Russians realize that they were shamelessly deceived and that they were to be handed over to the Soviets.

The report says that the following incidents occurred during that operation:

During the embarkation a repatriate [name deleted] aged 25 snatched a stone and struck a British soldier in order to make a breach in the line and escape. Realizing the futility of this attempt he struck himself with the same stone in the temple, thus committing suicide.

Another repatriate [name deleted] aged 33 snatched a Tommy gun from a British soldier and tried to shoot himself, but the gun jammed and he, using the gun as a club, started to break a lane through the escort, wounding several British soldiers. He succeeded in breaking through the first line and then was shot dead by the British.

In his reply to Major-General H. Murray, Director of Personal Services at the War Office, who ordered inquiries into the report, Colonel G. B. Finlay, director of the International Refugee Organization headquarters in Rome, dismissed the allegations as a "concoction of malicious statements which are illogical and inconsistent with the actual facts concerning the event governing the period stated". He continued:

Neither Major Simcock [the chief screening officer involved] nor the team under his supervison had any notion of the future destiny of the DPs concerned and therefore there was no necessity for Major Simcock to give his word of honour as a British officer and a gentleman to any DP accommodated in the respective camps, in respect of repatriation or any other form of disposal.

A further proof of this is the fact that the "Keelhaul" operation was carried out in the preliminary stage as a purely intercamp transfer of DPs who were dispatched from the respective centres on ordinary trains, without any escort or supervision.

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SPORT

Football

Pack may lose sight of Forest as stragglers turn to face each other

By Norman Fox
Football Correspondent

A draw at Coventry this afternoon would be enough to ensure that Nottingham Forest become the first team since Ipswich Town in the early sixties to win the first division title immedately after being promoted from the second. In itself, it is notable, but the manner of Forest's success this season is remarkable. They will be taking the domestic title away from Liverpool, the current European champions, who have remained powerful enough to reach the European Cup final for the second year, and their margin of comfort over the runners-up may well be the largest since Everton finished nine points ahead of Leeds United in 1970.

By coincidence, Forest began their season by beating Everton 3—1 at Goodison Park—a broad hint that was not taken seriously enough at the time. They led the first official League table of the season by winning their first three games, but a 3—0 defeat at Arsenal in the fourth led to suggestions that the pace would be too hot for them. Those suggestions continued but with decreasing confidence.

At the midway point at Christmas they still led, with Everton in pursuit, and the positions remain the same today, although the gap is six points and Forest still have two games in hand. They would have liked to secure the title at a home match but, after today's game at Highfield Road, they have another away match at Ipswich on Tuesday and by next Saturday it should be a matter of showing appreciation to the crowd at the City Ground.

Still being concerned about finishing high enough to qualify for next season's Uefa Cup guarantees that Coventry City will provide more than nominal opposition. They would dearly like to improve on their best season, 1969-70, when they finished sixth, although, having played more matches than the two teams immediately above them, they are unlikely to do more than equal that record.

However, they have had a good, attractive season despite injuries, especially when one recalls that at this time last year they were wallowing among the relegation candidates. Coventry have scored 48 goals on home ground in League matches this season, even though in the last nine matches they have been without Ferguson, the forward who played so impressively earlier in the season.

Ferguson injured an ankle six weeks ago but played in a practice match yesterday and was included in the party of 14 for today's game. Forest also have to alter their team because Lloyd, the strong central defender, is suspended and Needham replaces him. Anderson, a defender, and Woodcock, whose attacking play has been so important to them, are both injured but Anderson hopes to appear despite his leg strain.

If Forest win or draw today, they can take an armchair view of the difficulties facing Chelsea and Wolverhampton Wanderers who joined them in promotion last year. They meet at Stamford Bridge today and both are in danger of joining Newcastle United and Leicester City back in next season's second division. Wolves have suffered a sudden dangerous decline and Chelsea have also dropped points at the wrong moment.

Both have considerable ability and were justified in expecting to finish the season in safe positions. A year ago, they met at Molineux with the second division title at stake but now, after both taking only one point from their last six matches, the prize is safety. Chelsea are without Bay who is injured but Droy and Locke return. Wolves drop McAlle after 30 consecutive appearances but hope Carr will return.

The relegation issue could be decided when Chelsea play Queen's Park Rangers at Stamford Bridge on Tuesday week. Rangers may gain their first away win of the season today at Newcastle where the atmosphere will be distinctly morbid. However, they may have to play without four experienced players—Bowles, Clement, Shanks and Gillard—who are all injured.

At Manchester United, West Ham United, who lead Chelsea on goal difference, can include Brooking who had to drop out of England's match with Brazil because of a groin strain. Bonds will have a fitness test on his injured ankle.

Although Bolton Wanderers should be sure of promotion after two disappointing seasons in which they have finished fourth in the second division, the question of their fellow travellers could be delayed for another week. Everything may depend on Tottenham Hotspur's away match at Southampton next Saturday.

Today Tottenham are relieved to have Hoddle and Jones fit to play against Sunderland at White Hart Lane, but Southampton, in third place, have an awkward game at Luton. Brighton, encouraged by a 4—0 victory over Bristol Rovers on Tuesday, must win at Oldham to keep in sight of the first division only a year since they left the third.

Southend coast back into third division

Southend 3 Rochdale 1

Over 2,000 supporters swarmed on to Southend United's pitch last night as they won promotion back to the third division after two seasons. They engulfed the players as they raced to the tunnel, but several were caught and carried shoulder high

The game was a one-sided battle with Rochdale defending bravely almost throughout. Syne, the reserve goalkeeper, performed brilliantly in the first half hour to keep out the Southend raiders, but two goals in successive minutes by Goodwin and Morris after 32 minutes began Rochdale's downfall.

Two minutes after the break Parker scored the third. Rochdale rallied briefly and four minutes from the end Esser scored a consolation goal.

Yesterday's results

Fourth division

Southend (2) 3 Rochdale (0) 1
Goodwin
Morris
Parker
Bangs
11,253

OTHER MATCH: Atlético Madrid 0, Brazil 5.

RUGBY UNION: Penzance and Newlyn 7, Ebbw Vale 20; Plymouth Albion 21, South Wales Police 22.

RUGBY LEAGUE: Warrington 41, New Hunsley 8.

Brazil finish their tour with a flourish

Madrid, April 21.—Brazil's national football selection beat Atlético Madrid 3—0 in an exhibition match today to commemorate the seventy-fifth anniversary of the Spanish league club. Nunes in the twenty-eighth minute, Edinho in the fifty-third, and Mendoza in the seventieth scored the goals. The match, played before 50,000 spectators at Vicente Calderon stadium, was the last of Brazil's tour of Europe in preparation for the world championship in Argentina next June.—AP.

Like father, unlike son

Steven Turner, who injured a leg in the semi-final round against Hungerford, is fit and Barton Rovers will be at full strength for the FA Vase final against Blue Star at Wembley today. Turner's late father, Gordon, was left out of the Luton Town party for the FA Cup final against Nottingham Forest in 1959.

Youth final date

The final of the FA Youth Cup between Aston Villa and Crystal Palace will take place at Highbury next Thursday.

Hockey

Trojans could win back championship

By Sydney Friskin

Six hockey clubs go into round-robin action at East Grinstead today, starting at 11.0 am to decide who should be champions of the South League, sponsored by Truman. The winners will play, on September 23, in the champion of the leagues tournament for which neither the sponsor nor the location has yet been determined.

Two of the strongest teams, Trojans and Havant, qualified from the Hampshire-Surrey region. Havant unexpectedly lost 2—1 to Trojans because Havant had been running up tall scores to acquire an average of five goals a match. They are led by Ravinder Lall, who has played for Kenya in the World Cup, and he has scored most of their goals.

Trojans, led by Alan Muller, have six Hampshire county players in their side and have won the Hampshire Cup nine times in the last 13 years. Twelve of their players have appeared for the county at some time or other and they must have a good chance of repeating their triumph of the 1975-76 season.

From the Kent-Sussex region come Marden Russets and Tunbridge Wells. Marden Russets, led by John Sunnucks, have qualified for the play-offs in their first season at regional level, having earned promotion last year from the first division. Tunbridge Wells reached the quarter-final round of the Kent Cup

Indian Gymkhana, appearing in the play-offs for the third year in succession, having won the overall title last year, are the favourites, which is not surprising because they are well stocked with talented stick players, led by Kulbir Singh. Their match at 2.15 this afternoon against Havant will be the best one to watch. Accompanying Indian Gymkhana from the Middlesex and Berkshire region are Lyons.

The programme for the festival matches at Bury St Edmunds today should make fewer demands on the exertions of its participants. But there is a more serious fixture at the Victory grounds there tomorrow when Combined Services play East. This is an important exercise for both teams, who are preparing for the divisional tournament at Aldershot on April 29 and 30. East are moving out an extremely strong side.

Cycling

English ignore escape and lose stage

By a Special Correspondent

The big question for Tom Pimmington, the England cycling team manager, last night at Holyhead was why, when nine riders broke away with only 12 miles remaining in the third stage of the Sealink International, none of his team did anything about it. Especially since the nine to escape were four Czechs and five Russians.

With the exception of Moravec, who talked off, they arrived in Holyhead in that order, Vlastibor Konecny winning the sprint and taking over race leadership from Desmond Fretwell, of England, who was lagging in the field nearly two minutes back.

With Konecny now wearing both the yellow and blue jerseys (as race and points leader) and two minutes ahead of Fretwell, the Czechs in control of the team race, and the Russian Shakhid Zagretdinov established as top climber, the race, as they say in this sport, is on.

Today's tactics from the home team, as the race threads its way back over the beautiful North Wales hills to Rhyl, ought to be simple enough. If the number on the back starts with an "8" then chase it, for it's a Russian. Keep with him and you will be with the Czechs too. Three climbs lie ahead today at Llanberis Pass (reached at about 1 pm), Sportsman's Arms, near Penire Foelas, and at Mol-y-Mwnt.

THIRD STAGE (Rhyl to Holyhead): 1, V. Konecny (Czechoslovakia), 5hr 53min 18sec; 2, J. Bartonicek (Czechoslovakia); 3, Z. Bartonicek (Czechoslovakia); 4, M. Parvozov (USSR); 5, V. Semko (USSR); 6, S. Posmitny (USSR); 7, A. Gusev (USSR); 8, S. Zagretdinov (USSR) (all same time as winner).

OVERALL POSITIONS: 1, Konecny 8hr 23min 26sec; 2, Zagretdinov, at 1.4sec; 3, Bartonicek at 1.13; 4, Fretwell at 2min; 5, G. Pronk (Netherlands); at 2.2; 6, R. Miller (Scotland) at 2.3; 7, Hulsen (Netherlands), at 2.10; Semko, at 2.42.

OVERALL TEAM: Czechoslovakia, 25hr 21min 10sec.

Featherstone strike

A strike by the Featherstone Rovers players has brought the postponement of Sunday's home first division Rugby League game against Bradford Northern. The players refused to play unless Gordon Appleyard, who resigned as chairman this week, was reappointed.

SPORT

Cricket

Notts make the ultimate sacrifice

By John Woodcock
Cricket Correspondent

That Nottinghamshire should not want to be captained by a player who chooses the eve of the English season to sign for Kerry Packer, is understandable. That they should have gone so far as to dispense altogether with Clive Rice's services is more surprising, though it is a further indication of the antagonism that exists towards World Series Cricket among the players and administrators of the first class game in England.

Having said that they would have been prepared to play under Rice, had they been asked to, the Nottinghamshire players, in a statement yesterday, added that they "agreed in principle" with the action taken by there committee. They expressed their surprise at the timing of Rice's signing for Mr Packer, and they finished up by saying that they had asked for a meeting with Jack Bannister, the secretary of the Cricketers' Association.

The purpose of this meeting with Mr Bannister is to find out how the wish for a compromise, as expressed by Mr Packer's spokesmen at two recent meetings with the Cricketers' Association, can possibly be reconciled with another act of predation by World Series Cricket. Many members of the Cricketers' Association have yet to be convinced that there executive are not being taken for a ride by Mr Packer, in view of his organization's policy of by overt aggression.

Rice is 28, a South African from the Transvaal who joined Nottinghamshire in 1975. He is among the two or three best all-rounders in county cricket, and was appointed after the end of last season to the Nottinghamshire captaincy in succession to Michael Smedley, treasurer, incidentally, of the Cricketers' Association. To the dismay of the Nottinghamshire chairman, Rice told him at the start of this week of his intention to sign for Mr Packer. It was the first Nottinghamshire knew of it, and being as determined as any of the 17 first-class counties in their opposition to World Series Cricket, it was the last thing they wanted to hear.

Being a South African, and so having no Test cricket to play, Rice falls into a special category, as do Barlow, Richards and Procter. World Series Cricket are keen to be as cosmopolitan as they can, but they are restricted in the South Africans they may call upon; the West Indian politicians having decreed that their cricketers may play only with South Africans who are currently engaged in English county cricket. This, I understand, was the reason why Graeme Pollock and Denys Hobson, having arrived in Australia last December to play for Mr Packer, were sent home again; they are not engaged in county cricket.

The legal implications of Nottinghamshire's decision to give Rice his papers will not have escaped them. It might seem to some that it is in defiance of Mr Justice Slade's High Court ruling against a ban on Packer players. In Judge W. A. Sime, the captain of the county side just after the war, Nottinghamshire have a formidably legal president, and their belief is that so long as they meet their financial obligations towards Rice that should be enough. Rice, who was on a three-year contract, will receive generous compensation. Whether, all the same, his dismissal will lead to further litigation, sponsored of course by Mr Packer, remains to be seen. What Nottinghamshire have done is no more than what a lot of people have been hoping someone would do: they have stood out for what they believe to be in the best interests of English cricket. Rice being much their best cricketer, their altruism is beyond doubt.

Bob Woolmer, meanwhile, announces that he has signed the one-year contract that Kent recently offered him. Derek Underwood and Asif Iqbal have yet to do so. Another Pakistani, Sarfraz Nawaz, is making life difficult for the Pakistan Board of Control. Having played "hard to get" last December, and got away with it, Sarfraz is doing the same now, by demanding better terms from his manager before he joins the touring party. His timing, like Rice's, is nothing if not provocative.



Clive Rice, the Notts captain, packs his bag.

Somerset are frustrated by Oxford's patient batting

By Richard Streeton

OXFORD: Oxford University drew with Somerset.

Stubborn resistance by Oxford University's middle order batsmen extended into the final hour in the Parks yesterday. By the time the Oxford second innings ended they held a lead of 104 runs. With only seven overs left Somerset did not go in again. For both teams it had been a game of cautious endeavour and useful practice.

Somerset will have Richards back from the Caribbean against Glamorgan today. They are a well balanced side. There is no reason to think that the hopeful mood with which the summer is being approached is misplaced though their pace bowling needs strengthening. Garner, the 6ft 8in Barbados fast bowler, has again signed for Littleborough in the Central Lancashire League and Somerset are trying to acquire a full-time replacement.

A bout of influenza deprived Somerset of Gurr in the closing stages as the patient University batting frustrated them. It was another bitterly cold, overcast day. Half an hour was lost at the start for the damp surrounds to dry and another 20 minutes shortly before lunch when it rained. By then Oxford had needed 19 balls to capture the last Somerset wicket in the county's first innings and had lost Pathmanathan and Marks in clearing their arrears.

Pathmanathan, who had reached representative level in Sri Lanka, had confirmed his supple wrists before he was unlucky to get one of the day's few balls to lift. He was held at forward short leg off the bat's shoulder. Marks was caught behind as he played half forward. The rest of Oxford's batting was a treatise on defence, with the two left handers, L'Estrange and Brettell, contributing the main parts.

Oxford were 133 for eight when the final 20 overs began, and 93 runs ahead: Burgess, who finished with match figures of eight for 48, was again economical and variable in movement. He bowled Claughton with a beastly ball which pitched on the batsman's legs and clipped the outside edge of the off stump and then had Kayum caught at short leg from a ball that stopped.

Breakwell, with plenty of turn, and Roebuck with assorted spin and changes of pace, bowled together for much of the late afternoon. L'Estrange, after 95 minutes, was bowled as he tried his first aggressive pull. Fisher stayed for half an hour before he miscued to extra cover.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY: First Innings 157 (G. I. Burgess 5 for 25, C. H. Dredge 3 for 44)

Second Innings

G. Pathmanathan, c Slocombe, b Jennings	25
*J. A. Claughton, b Burgess	18
V. J. Marks, c Taylor, b Jennings	0
M. L'Estrange, b Breakwell	15
D. Kayum, c Jennings, b Burgess	5
D. Brettell, b Breakwell	30
†P. B. Fisher, c Burgess, b Breakwell	16
J. Ross, c Kitchen, b Burgess	4
J. Knight, b Breakwell	4
G. Marie, c Rose, b Roebuck	3
R. Savage, not out	0
Extras (b 10, l-b 7, w 1, n-b 6)	24
Total	144

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—39, 2—50, 3—66, 4—69, 5—85, 6—108, 7—123, 8—133, 9—144, 10—144.

BOWLING: Gurr, 5—3—9—0; Dredge, 15—4—31—0; Jennings, 7—2—10—2; Burgess, 20—11—23—3; Breakwell, 20.4—12—21—4; Roebuck, 15—7—26—1.

SOMERSET: First Innings

*B. C. Rose, b Savage	17
P. W. Denning, run out	21
P. A. Slocombe, c and b Brettell	44
M. J. Kitchen, c Fisher, b Savage	37
P. M. Roebuck, b Brettell	15
†D. J. S. Taylor, l-b-w, b Marks	22
G. I. Burgess, c L'Estrange, b Marks	4
D. Breakwell, b Knight	6
C. H. Dredge, b Marks	2
K. F. Jennings, c Marks, b Brettell	1
R. Gurr, not out	3
Extras (b 13, l-b 4, w 3, n-b 6)	26
Total	197

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—37, 2—45, 3—113, 4—145, 5—176, 6—176, 7—182, 8—184, 9—185, 10—197.

BOWLING: Knight, 15.1—3—38—1; Rose, 7—2—20—0; Marie, 15—7—25—0; Savage, 17—4—42—2; Marks, 25—14—25—3; Brettell, 21—11—22—3.

Umpires: W. Budd and R. Wilson.

Day's only upset occurs in four Cambridge stomachs

By Alan Gibson

CAMBRIDGE: Cambridge University drew with Essex.

Cambridge, beginning the day at 61 for two, 290 behind, were doing well when their score reached 152 for three, but thereafter collapsed rather dismally, as University sides have a habit of doing in the early part of the season. They were all out for 190 just after three o'clock.

The theoretical interest of the morning play was whether Cambridge could save the follow-on, but Essex did not enforce it. I do not blame them. It was too cold for heroics, at the risk of strained muscles and fractured fingers. So the match came to a peaceful, chilly end at half past five.

The four members of the Cambridge side who suffered stomach upsets, and were unable to field in the second innings, no doubt were wise in their generation, and I trust wrote worthy essays as they relaxed with their bicarbonate of soda in their warm bedrooms. I do not know what Cambridge stomachs are coming to.

Once upon a time Sam Woods and Gregor MacGregor, who shared rooms in Jesus, asked all the amateurs of a visiting side to breakfast, providing nine hot lobsters and a pin of ale. Their visitors clamoured for coffee and bacon and eggs, which were provided, while Woods and MacGregor ate the lobsters and drank the beer ("they were prime birds, those lobsters", Woods said reflectively, many years later). Then they started cricket, and Woods took all 10 wickets in an innings.

Cambridge batted well for half their innings, approximately. They will be pleased by the evidence that Parker and Hignell are in form, and perhaps even more that Crawford and Popplewell made useful contributions. What they lacked, perhaps, is a solid No 3, who would enable Parker and Hignell—both of whom liked to hit the ball—to bat a place lower.

The sun shone only momentarily during the day and the pitch remained slow, though the bounce was unreliable. Lever was the best of the Essex bowlers. He was going quite fast by the end, when the pavilion was beginning to beckon. In the evening Essex lost wickets but it was of little importance except as a bit of practice and an encouragement for Cambridge.

There were only a few spectators there, some all day licence lads hovering round Tolly's tent, a few young couples impervious to the cold because they were finding new and interesting ways of keeping warm, and some grave, nodding elders in the clubhouse.

ESSEX: First Innings, 331 for 4 dec (K. S. McEwan 109, K. W. R. Fletcher 89, D. R. Pringle 50 not out)

Second Innings

M. H. Denness, c Parker, b Gardiner	5
G. A. Gooch, st Littlewood, b Parker	24
K. R. Pont, c sub, b Greig	0
*N. Smith, not out	59
D. Pringle, l-b-w, b Parker	0
B. R. Hardie, not out	7
Extras (b 1, n-b 3)	4
Total (4 wkts)	99

K. S. McEwan, *K. W. R. Fletcher, J. K. Lever, D. L. Acfield and S. J. Malone did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—18, 2—20, 3—41, 4—41.

BOWLING: Greig, 8—3—23—1; Gardiner, 10—1—32—1; Parker, 8—2—23—2; Popplewell, 8—4—14—0; Hignell, 2—0—3—0.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY: First Innings

M. K. Fosh, c and b Pont	12
I. G. Peck, c McEwan, b Pringle	7
P. W. G. Parker, b Gooch	60
*A. J. Hignell, c Acfield, b Lever	59
N. C. Crawford, c Acfield, b Gooch	30
I. A. Greig, b Malone	0
N. F. N. Popplewell, l-b-w, b Lever	27
S. J. Gardiner, b Acfield	6
†D. J. Littlewood, l-b-w, b Acfield	1
M. G. Howat, not out	0
M. E. Allbrook, c Pringle, b Lever	3
Extras (b 1, l-b 2, w 1, n-b 1)	5
Total	190

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—12, 2—33, 3—107, 4—152, 5—153, 6—159, 7—186, 8—186, 9—187, 10—190.

BOWLING: Lever, 17.3—7—22—3; Malone, 16—6—28—1; Pringle, 16—6—31—1; Acfield, 18—7—36—2; Pont, 19—10—35—1; Gooch, 14—3—33—2.

Umpires: J. Langridge and M. R. Rao.

Botham and Randall take England hopes indoors

International cricket steps indoors for the first time tomorrow when Brylcreem put £25,000 into sponsoring a novel six-nation tournament at Wembley. The Cricketers' Association, organizers of the double-wicket event, hope to collect £10,000 from the proceeds. England will be represented by Ian Botham, an all-rounder, who started the season with a hat-trick against Middlesex on Wednesday, and Derek Randall, a Test team colleague.

Their opponents will be Wasim Raja and Javed Miandad, Pakistan, Bishen Bedi and Sunil Gavaskar, of India, Larry Gomes and Norbert Phillips, of West Indies, Mark Burgess and Richard Hadlee, of New Zealand, and Philip Carlsson and Ian Brayshaw, of Australia. The winning team will collect £1,000.

For Gomes and Phillips, who is playing for Essex this season, it will be a whistle-stop visit. They arrived in London yesterday and will fly home immediately after the tournament in time for their final Test against Australia. Each player will receive £400 appearance money and is guaranteed a minimum of £75, even if they finish last.

Teams, batting in pairs, will face 15 overs and their total score will be divided by the number of wickets lost. Each nation will bowl three overs per innings and share the fielding, with a neutral wicket-keeper. The batting order for the tournament is West Indies, India, Australia, Pakistan, New Zealand and England.

Today's cricket

Benson and Hedges Cup (11.0, 55 overs).

ILKESTON: Derbyshire v Warwickshire
CHELMSFORD: Essex v Surrey
CARDIFF: Glamorgan v Somerset
CANTERBURY: Kent v Yorkshire
LEICESTER: Leicestershire v Sussex
IPSWICH: Minor Counties East v Middlesex
CHIPPENHAM: Minor Counties West v Gloucestershire
CAMBRIDGE: Combined Universities v Hampshire

No play yesterday

LORD'S: Middlesex, 167 (J. M. Brearley 51; I. T. Botham 5 for 43); MCC, 45 for 3: Bowling: Selvey, 7—2—22—2; Herkes, 5—3—4—0; Gatting, 3—0—14—0; Edmonds, 2—2—0—1. Match abandoned.

Kent include Packer men against Yorkshire

Gloucestershire will start the defence of the Benson and Hedges Cup today with nine members of the team who beat Kent in last year's final. The absentees are Sadiq Mohammad, who is with the Pakistan tour party, and the fast bowler, Martin Vernon, who left county cricket. Nicholas Cooper and John Childs replace them.

Another fast bowler, ack Davey, who missed most of last season, is unfit with a hamstring strain. But the most encouraging news for Gloucestershire, who play Minor Counties West, at Chippenham, is that their captain, Michael Procter, has passed a test on an injured groin strain.

A Minor Counties combination has never had a success in the six years of the competition, but this year's West XI have three formidable fast bowlers in Peter Gooch, Douglas Yeabsley and Brian Collins.

The outstanding match of the first series could be at Canterbury where Kent will include their three remaining Packer players, Bob Woolmer (who has signed a year's contract), Asif Iqbal and Derek Underwood, against Yorkshire, who beat them by nine wickets on this ground two years ago. Ealham leads Kent.

Other new county captains to take the lead today are John Whitehouse, who will captain Warwickshire against Derbyshire, Roger Knight, who hopes to lead Surrey to their fifth successive win over Essex, at Chelmsford, and Arnold Long, Tony Greig's successor at Sussex.

Two other former Surrey players, Geoffrey Arnold and Stewart Storey, will make their first appearance for Sussex against Leicestershire at Grace Road. Brian Rose, who has the unenviable job of succeeding Brian Close with Somerset, could get off to a winning start against Glamorgan, at Cardiff, for Somerset have been successful in their last three Benson and Hedges Cup meetings.

GROUPINGS: Zone A: Derbyshire, Gloucestershire, Lancashire, Minor Counties West and Warwickshire. Zone B: Glamorgan, Hampshire, Combined Universities, Somerset, Worcestershire. Zone C: Leicestershire, Middlesex, Minor Counties East, Northamptonshire, Sussex. Zone D: Essex, Kent, Nottinghamshire, Surrey, Yorkshire.

Rugby Union

Some may have had enough, others not

By Gordon Allan

This is an odds and ends day in rugby. The season is nearly over. Ennui is the main enemy, no less dangerous for being invisible. Think of those who, like the British Lions, have been training and playing almost without a break since the September before last. To them, April is the most cruel month of all.

Many will be playing reluctantly. Others, perhaps the wisest, will not be playing at all. But among the rest of us who merely stand and stare are some who apparently cannot get enough rugby, and today they have a choice between a handful of good club games, the match to decide the Services championship, and the preliminary rounds of the Middlesex seven-a-side tournament.

Leicester, the John Player Cup runners-up, are at home to Moseley—an attractive fixture at any time, between two attacking teams. Ditto, Bristol v Coventry and Northampton v Waterloo. Newport, who play Swansea in the Welsh Cup final next Saturday, go to Bath, and Swansea play Aberavon at St Helens. At Twickenham, the RAF need only to draw with the Army to become Services champions.

Northampton's match with Waterloo will be the last for Bob Taylor, a former England and Lions flank forward. He is 35 and announced his retirement earlier this week. Yesterday another England and Lions forward made the same announcement: Michael Burton, the Gloucester prop. His last match will be against Exeter at Kingsholm next Saturday.

Burton, as positive off the field as on it, said: "Now that Gloucester are England's champions, it's a good time to end a good run. I feel that at 32 it's the right time to pack up. With midweek matches it means four or five nights' training a week, and I could never go on to a field wearing a Gloucester shirt and not be fully fit. I've seen too many good men stay on too long and go down, and I don't want it to happen to me.

"I'm going to have a rest from rugby now, so there'll be no coaching or anything like that for the time being."

Burton played 17 times for England. His first cap was against Scotland in 1972, his last against Wales this season. He toured South Africa with the Lions in 1974, and South Africa (1972), New Zealand (1973) and Australia (1975) with England. He was sent off after three minutes, for a late tackle, in the second international against Australia in Brisbane.

Coventry will be back to full strength against Bristol. The scrum half, Grimshaw, the centre, Coulthard, and the lock forward, Darnell, return to the side after injury.

The preliminary rounds of the sevens are being played at eight London grounds: Beckenham, London Irish, Old Millhillians, Old Pauline, Saracens, UCS Old Boys, Upper Clapton and Wasps. Twelve places are at stake at Twickenham next Saturday. The number will be made up to 16 by the holders, Richmond, the runners-up, Gosforth, and the guest sides, Bath and Hawick.

Harlequins, who have already won the Surrey and Esher events, will be without Bushell at UCS Old Boys' ground at Osterley. He wants to avoid injury before the England B tour of Romania next month. Lambert takes over the goalkicking chores and plays at prop.

Golf

Those behind step into the reckoning

From Peter Ryde
Golf Correspondent
Barcelona, April 21

On a day when those behind cried forward and those in front at least tended to mark time, Mark James emerged from the main group and joined in the argument at the top on the third day of the Spanish Open golf championship, with the lowest round of the week, 65. This was all the more creditable because the wind had freshened off the sea and made the course two or three strokes harder. Such is the perfectionist attitude of this young professional in his third full year, that he had thought of returning home, because he had been so frustrated on the greens, this in spite of having finished in a tie for fifth in Portugal and started this week with two 71s.

James had the lowest outward half with no shots dropped, two birdies and an eagle three at the ninth, where he holed his longest putt to that point, from 12 feet. The fact that he needed only a three-iron at the ninth (487 yards) showed that there was some force in the wind. But this was felt against at several holes coming home—the 12th, for example, where he had no chance to get up, but made a birdie and at two of the last three.

Coming in, he maintained his accuracy and at three holes suffered obvious agonies as birdie putts refused to drop. The long 15th was his worst moment. He cut his drive almost on to the parallel 16th and had to work hard for his par five. It was the only green he missed. The evening sun smiled on him in the end for he got putts in for birdies at the last two holes. The second was from the edge of the green after a beautifully controlled six-iron into the wind, and then perhaps for the first time he smiled. He was escorted by Lyle, who played in the Walker Cup after James and his 71 did him no harm.

It was just the day for springing a surprise for the leaders were not exactly building on their success. Bland and Elson began to slide away. Antonio Garrido and Clark kept close to each other although the Spaniard had much the more confident start. His swing seemed better adapted to the livelier conditions, but Clark learned a good deal about pressure last week and recovered his poise before long.

This might well turn out to be Clark's worst round, and if that is so, he has not done badly to be lying second. The stillness of Garrido with his ramrod back accentuated the trouser-plucking and cigarette smoking of Clark, who was inclined to leave putts short, the battle is engaged in earnest between leading British and Spanish players for the final round today.

Ballesteros provided plenty of entertainment, and although now and then he had the crowd gasping with anxiety, he finished on 70, and is perhaps the one most likely to "figure in the shake-out" to quote the latest American jargon. At the fourth hole, Ballesteros joined the select band of those whose ball has got lost up in a tree, not a palm this time, but a group of umbrella pines with flat tops. Typically, he scored a birdie with the second ball.

This was a trying time for him, for he was bunkered at two short holes going out, but he saved his par with putts of eight and 10ft. He is closely flanked by two other Spaniards—Canizares and Balbuena who faded from the scene last year after winning the Portuguese Open in 1976.

It will now be James's turn to come under strong pressure not only from the Spanish professionals but from an untrained and ever-growing Spanish crowd. In a strange way, his far from easy temperament, which has brought him more than once up against authorities on matters of etiquette, might stand up best among the younger British players to the final ordeal today.

Jacklin scored 72 in spite of dropping three strokes at the 14th where he got into trouble behind a tree.

207: M. James (GB), 71, 71, 65. 208: H. Clark (GB), 67, 67, 74. 209: J. Canizares (Spain), 69, 71, 69.

210: A. Garrido (Spain), 66, 70, 74; M. King (GB), 72, 68, 70; S. Ballesteros (Spain), 72, 68, 70.

211: S. Balbuena (Spain), 73, 69, 69.

212: B. Barocchi (SA), 71, 69, 72; J. Morgan (GB), 69, 73, 70.

213: D. Watson (SA), 70, 72, 71; S. Lyle (GB), 73, 69, 71; L. Higgins (Ireland), 71, 73, 71; V. Baker (SA), 70, 73, 70.

214: T. Britz (SA), 71, 70, 73; D. Hayes (SA), 69, 71, 74; M. Calero (Spain), 72, 70, 72; M. Ballesteros (Spain), 70, 72, 72; F. Abreau (Spain), 70, 71, 73; G. Hunt (GB), 74, 72, 68; K. Brown (GB), 69, 73, 72.

215: A. D. Jacklin (GB), 74, 69, 72; M. Gregson (GB), 71, 72, 72; E. Darcy (Ireland), 76, 68, 71; A. Oosthuizen (SA), 72, 72, 71; M. McNulty (SA), 69, 72, 74; A. Gallardo (Spain), 69, 72, 74; E. Polland (Ireland), 71, 70, 74; J. Bland (SA), 67, 72, 76; P. Elson (GB), 69, 70, 76.

216: B. Gallacher, 73, 72, 72; S. Hobday (Rhodesia), 78, 69, 69; C. Mason, 73, 70, 73; S. Torrance, 67, 75, 74.

217: B. Huggett, 71, 75, 71; N. Faldo, 73, 72, 71; M. Bembridge, 69, 76, 72; C. O'Connor Jnr (Ireland), 72, 72, 73; M. Foster, 73, 71, 74.

Narrow lead for Player after a round of 64

Houston, April 21.—Gary Player, continuing his successful run, went round in 64, eight under par, today to take a one-stroke lead after the first round of the Houston Open tournament. Shearer, of Australia, is alone in second place after a 65 yesterday.

Player, who won the last two PGA tour events—the Masters at 11 under par and the Tournament of Champions at seven under par—had seven birdies. Out in 31 and back in 33, he equalled the course record.

LEADING SCORES: 64: G. Player (SA). 65: R. Shearer (Australia). 66: R. Murphy, L. Wadkins. 67: A. Bean, R. Erskine, O. Moody, G. Burns. 68: M. Reid, L. Hinkle, R. Nichols, G. Koch, G. Littler. 69: K. Zarley, F. Marti, J. C. Snead. 70: J. Lister (NZ), L. Trevino, A. Palmer. Other scores: 71: V. Fernandez (Argentina). 76: J. Newton (Australia). 77: F. Molina (Argentina).—Agencies.

Beth Daniel will lead US Curtis Cup team

Far Hills, New Jersey, April 21.—Beth Daniel, the United States amateur golf champion in 1975 and 1977, will lead the United States women's golf team against Britain and Ireland in the Curtis Cup at the Apawamis Club in Rye, New York, on August 4 and 5.

Completing the eight-woman team are Patricia Cornett, Brenda Goldsmith, Carolyn Hill, Cynthia Hill, Judith Oliver, Lancy Smith and Noreen Uihlein. Cynthia Hill was the 1974 United States champion. The three reserves are Phyllis Preuss, Marcia Dolan and Nancy Hammer.

The Curtis Cup, being held for the twentieth time, is played biennially. The United States have won 15 times and Britain and Ireland twice. There have been two ties.—Reuter.

Tennis

Bradnam the only one to confound seedings

By Rex Bellamy
Tennis Correspondent

Today's singles finals of tennis tournament, sponsored Debenhams at Hampstead, will restricted to players mode placed in the British rankin Christopher Bradnam v Mich Appleton and Linda Mottram Jacqueline Fayter. The only ma to confound the seedings yester was that in which Bradnam b the top seed, Anthony Lloyd 7—6, 7—6. Lloyd had set poi in both sets, before Bradnam c firmed the evidence of their c frontation at Hampstead a y ago.

The singles events attract att tion in a tournament of this distinguished stature. But Cumberland Lawn Tennis C have scored a valid point in allocation of their prize mon 31.5 per cent to the doubles, c pared with 68.5 per cent to singles. Grand Prix tourname are inhibited by regulations posed on them by the Men's Int national Professional Tennis Co cil (MIPTC) who recommend t singles events should be awar 80 per cent of the prize mon But the Debenham's tournamen outside the Grand Prix and therefore in a position to te the MIPTC a lesson.

"Even at our level," Co Hess, the tournament refer said: "You still get people w want to get away when they out of the singles. Competit still place more emphasis in th own minds, on singles. But we to increase the prize money doubles to make doubles attractive and encourage people play doubles events".

Bradnam was taken to a break in both sets against Lle Appleton had an easier against the Pakistani Davis C player, Saeed Meer, whom beat at the cost of only games. It will be interesting see what Bradnam can make his two-fisted opponent th Oldham this afternoon.

Miss Mottram lost only f games against Joanna Durie Bristol, the junior grass c champion, who is more than t years her junior. Miss Fayter given a tough match by A Hobbs, of Cheshire. Miss H took the initiative more often Miss Fayter was the sounder the two. It would be a pity Miss Hobbs allowed such a de to inhibit her confidence. Sh a talented and aggressive yo player who is, at the mom making the mistakes that youngsters make when they going for their shots and pla the kind of tennis their b tells them is the only way improvement. A match lost often the key to many matc won.

MEN'S SINGLES: Semi-final ro M. Appleton beat S. Meer (Pakis 6—1, 6—4; C. Bradnam beat A. Lloyd, 7—6, 7—6.

WOMEN'S SINGLES: Semi-round: Miss L. Mottram beat Mis Durie, 6—2, 6—2; Miss J. F beat Miss A. Hobbs, 6—3, 5—7, 6

Top four compete

Tokyo, April 21.—Four of world's leading tennis players, cluding Jimmy Connors and B Borg, will compete here weekend in the first $200,000 S tory Cup tournament.

HOUSTON: Quarter-final round Franulovic beat H. Solomon, 6—3, 6—4; I. Nastase beat I. Fi 6—4, 6—2.

SANTA CLARA: S. Mitton beat Prister, 7—6, 6—4; B. Bertram V. Winitsky, 6—1, 6—2; R. Fi beat E. van Dillen, 3—6, 6—4, 6

NICE: C. Lewis (NZ) beat P. (Czechoslovakia), 4—6, 6—2, 6 J. Noah (France) beat J. Hre (Czechoslovakia), 7—5, 6—4.

Snooker

Reardon builds lead, then loses ground

Ray Reardon, five times champion, held a 10—6 lead over the Canadian, Bill Werbeniuk, at the close in their quarter-final match in the world professional snooker championship, sponsored by Embassy, at Sheffield last night.

Reardon, from Market Drayton, won the first four frames, and held an advantage of 6—2 at the interval. He increased this to five games during the second period, but the Canadian fought back to reduce his deficit to four at the close.

First round

F. Davis (Stourport) beat Dennis Taylor (Blackburn), 13—9. Final session frame scores (Davis first): 19—83, 40—79, 39—70, 77—24, 70—57.

Quarter-final round

C. Thorburn (Canada) leads E. Charlton (Australia), 10—6. First period frame scores (Thorburn first): 12—78, 75—41, 78—26, 67—58, 72—46, 73—9, 30—83, 75—48. Second period (Thorburn first): 69—55, 27—73, 71—43, 79—37, 18—73, 68—50, 39—66, 1—116.

R. Reardon (Market Drayton) leads W. Werbeniuk 10—6. First period frame scores (Reardon first): 78—28, 109—7, 80—40, 68—46, 48—72, 73—37, 38—79, 66—28. Second period (Reardon first): 45—56, 87—63, 92—27, 72—39, 76—46, 55—70, 85—29, 35—77.

Stracey breaks away

John H. Stracey, the former world welterweight boxing champion, has finally split with his manager, Terry Lawless, after a prolonged dispute which looked likely to end in a bitter legal wrangle.

Swimming

Miss Davies beats Games qualifying tim

By John Hennessy

Sharron Davies, at 15, the outstanding swimmer in Britain, picked off another of her targets for 1978 at Crystal Palace last night. She won the 200 metres backstroke in 2min 19.30sec surpassing not only her British record of 2min 20.4sec, but also, more significantly, the Commonwealth Games qualifying time of 2min 19.89sec.

Jane Adams, swimming second for Britain, finished in that position, close enough to Miss Davies also to beat the previous record with a time of 2min 20.4sec. The Commonwealth time is now within her sights, as the world championship qualifying time is within Miss Davies's.

Since withdrawing from the final of the Coca-Cola race at this distance after a heat time of 2min 24.99sec (in order to concentrate on the medley) Miss Davies has successively reduced the record to 2min 20.64sec at Dortmund and now 2min 19.30sec. It cannot be long before the world championship time of 2min 18.62sec is behind her.

Miss Davies was flirting with one of the lane guides for most of the race but apparently it did not incommode her. Her father (and trainer) was delighted with her split time of 67sec for the 100 metres, since it augurs well for her individual medley hopes. This is the main strength of a swimmer of her versatility.

Miss Davies was first home in another race, the 4×100 metres free-style relay but here the real heroine was another 15-year-old, Cheryl Brazendale. Miss Brazendale began the third leg two feet behind but, with her whirlwind shtyle, she was able to give Miss Davies a lead of three yards, a margin which remained intact until the end. The times of both British girls was about the same, 58.5sec, but Miss Brazendale must be given the credit for making the telling thrust and leaving Miss Davies in a comfortable position to cover any challenge.

Men

100m FREE-STYLE: 1, M. Guarducci (Italy), 52.4sec; 2, R. Burrell (GB), 52.9; 3, P. Revelli (Italy), 53.3; 4, M. Taylor (GB), 54.1; 5, H. Elzerman (Netherlands), 55.5; 6, F. Debets (Netherlands), 5.6.

1500m FREESTYLE: 1, G. Quadri (Italy), 16min 1.2sec; 2, A. Astbury (GB), 16:3.1; 3, G. Nagni (Ital 16:12.6; 4, P. Sparkes (GB), 16 5, G. Smit (Netherlands), 16:2 6, E. Kooyman (Netherlands), 16:4

200m BACKSTROKE: 1, F. Ce (Netherlands), 2min 10.1sec; 2, Cerasuolo (Italy), 2:10.7; 3, Romano (GB), 2:10.9; 4, S. Ba (Italy), 2:11.7; 5, R. Walker (G 2:12.4; 6, R. Schuit (Netherlan 2:15.1.

200M BREASTSTROKE: 1, O'Br (GB), 2min 27.9sec; 2, L. Lal (GB), 2:27.6; 3, Fabbri (Ital 2:28.2; 4, R. Rood (Netherland 2:32; 5, H. Bakker (Netherland 2:34.2; 6, G. Lalle (Italy), 2:38.5.

4X 100M FREE-STYLE RELAY: Italy, 3min 31.6sec; 2, GB, 3:33 3, Netherlands, 3:39.7.

POSITIONS: 1, GB 82 pts; 2, It 61; 3, Netherlands 47.

Women

200 M FREE-STYLE: 1, (Netherlands), 2min 5.2sec; 2, Brazendale (GB), 2:8.5; 3, B. Kam (Netherlands), 2:7.9; 4, V. Bal (GB), 2:8.5; 5, G. Savi-Scarp (Italy), 2:9.6; 6, G. Pandini (Ital 2:13.4.

200M BREASTSTROKE: 1, M. K (GB), 2min 38.4sec; 2, C. Ma (GB), 2:42.3 (British junior recor 3, S. Seminatore (Italy), 2:45.4; C. Connoll (Italy), 2:48.9; 5, A. Groot (Netherlands), 2:50.3; 6, Heerink (Netherlands), 2:53.9.

200M BACKSTROKE: 1, S. Dav (GB), 2min 19.3sec (British recor 2, J. Adams (GB), 2:20.4; 3, Edelijn (Netherlands), 2:21.9; 4, Bertolaro (Italy), 2:22.3; 5, A. Groot (Netherlands), 2:27; 6, Residori (Italy), 2:28.

4 X 100M FREE-STYLE RELAY: GB, 3min 56.9sec; 2, Netherlan 3:59.1; 3, Italy 4:008.

For the record

Real tennis

LONDON: Amateur Championship: Qualifying competition: Second round: R. M. Cowper (Australia), wo J. F. R. Wilson, scr; D. C. Jenkins beat G. E. Limb, 6—4, 6—2; V. G. Mursell (Australia) beat D. J. Warburg, 6—0, 3—6, 6—4; G. W. H. Dunnett beat D. P. C. Nation, 6—1, 6—1; R. L. O. Bridgeman beat L. A. Wheatley, 6—0, 2—6, 6—4.

Ice Hockey

WORLD ASSOCIATION (Best-of-seven series): Quebec Nordiques 5, Houston Aeros 1 (Quebec lead series 2—1).

NATIONAL LEAGUE: Stanley Cup play-off series: No games scheduled.

Motor rallying

LISBON: Portuguese rally (after 26 timed sections): 1, M. Allen-I. Kivimaki (Finland), Fiat Abarth, 5.08:15; 2, J-P. Nicolas-V. Laverne (France), Ford, 5.08:30; 3, H. Mikkola-A. Hertz (Finland), Ford, 5.08:32; 4, Andersson (Sweden)-H. Liddon (G Toyota, 5.20:49; 5, A. Kullang Bergiund (Sweden), Opel, 5.26 6, A. Warmbold-C. Bilstein (W Germany), Opel, 5.28:02.

Baseball

AMERICAN LEAGUE: Boston Sox 10, Milwaukee Brewers 4.

NATIONAL LEAGUE: San Diego Padres 2, Atlanta Braves 0; Angeles Dodgers 5, Houston Astros

Weekend fixtures

Kick-off 3.0 unless stated

First division

Birmingham v Manchester C
Chelsea v Wolverhampton
Coventry v Nottingham F
Derby v Leicester
Ipswich v Bristol C
Leeds v Arsenal
Liverpool v Norwich
Manchester U v West Ham
Middlesbrough v Everton
Newcastle v QP Rangers
West Bromwich v Aston Villa

Second division

Blackburn v Sheffield U
Blackpool v Mansfield
Bristol Rovers v Stoke
Cardiff v Bolton
Charlton v Burnley
Fulham v Millwall
Luton v Southampton
Notts Co v Crystal Palace
Oldham v Brighton
Orient v Hull C
Tottenham v Sunderland

FA VASE: Final, Barton Rovers v Blue Star (at Wembley).

Third division

Bury v Plymouth (3.15)
Chesterfield v Chester (3.15)
Exeter v Colchester
Lincoln v Bradford C
Peterborough v Tranmere
Portsmouth v Preston
Port Vale v Carlisle
Sheffield Wed v Cambridge U
Shrewsbury v Oxford U
Swindon v Hereford
Walsall v Gillingham
Wrexham v Rotherham

Fourth division

Bournemouth v Grimsby
Brentford v Darlington
Crewe v Doncaster
Halifax v Watford
Hartlepool v Newport
Northampton v Swansea
Reading v Barnsley
Scunthorpe v Aldershot (3.15)
Southport v Huddersfield
Torquay v York
Wimbledon v Stockport

SOUTHERN LEAGUE CUP: Final: Second leg: Gravesend v Weymouth.

Scottish premier division

Aberdeen v St Mirren
Ayr v Hibernian
Celtic v Partick
Motherwell v Clydebank
Rangers v Dundee U

SOUTHERN LEAGUE: Premier division: Atherstone v Cheltenham; Bath v Dover; Dartford v Bedford; Grantham v Barnet; Hastings v Kettering; Maidstone v AP Leamington; Redditch v Nuneaton; Telford v Minehead; Worcester v Hillingdon. First division: North: Banbury v Corby; Barry v Tamworth; Bedworth v Bromsgrove; Burton v Cambridge City; Dunstable v Witney Town; Kidderminster v King's Lynn; Merthyr Tydfil v Stourbridge; Milton Keynes v Enderby; Oswestry v Bridgend; Wellingborough v Gloucester. South: Addlestone v Bognor Regis; Ashford v Dorchester; Basingstoke v Taunton; Chelmsford v Crawley; Hounslow v Andover; Romford v Aylesbury (at Aveley); Tonbridge v Canterbury; Trowbridge v Folkestone/Sheppey; Waterlooville v Salisbury.

NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE: Altrincham v Buxton; Boston United v Wigan Athletic; Frickley v Lancaster; Gainsborough v Runcorn; Gateshead v Matlock; Goole v South Liverpool; Morecambe v Stafford Rangers; Mossley v Bangor City; Netherfield v Worksop; Scarborough v Barrow; Workington v Macclesfield.

ATHENIAN LEAGUE: Billericay Town v Chertsey Town; Chalfont St Peter v Haringey Borough; Erith & Belvedere v Burnham; Grays Athletic v Alton Town; Marlow v Windsor & Eton; Redhill v Harefield United; Ruislip Manor v Edgware; Uxbridge v Hoddesdon Town.

Rugby League

FIRST DIVISION: Leeds v Warrington; St Helens v Hull Kingston Rovers.

Scottish first division

Arbroath v St Johnstone
Dumbarton v Airdrie
Dundee v Queen of South
Hamilton v Kilmarnock
Hearts v Alloa
Montrose v East Fife
Stirling Albion v Morton

ARTHURIAN LEAGUE: Old Bradfieldians v Old Aldenhamians; Old Brentwoods v Old Reptonians; Old Carthusians v Old Chigwellians; Old Salopians v Old Cholmeleians.

ISTHMIAN LEAGUE: Premier division: Barking v Walthamstow Avenue; Dagenham v Boreham Wood; Enfield v Leatherhead; Hitchin Town v Hayes; Leytonstone v Carshalton Athletic; Slough Town v Sutton United; Southall & EB v Kingstonian; Staines Town v Hendon; Tilbury v Bishop's Stortford; Woking v Tooting & Mitcham; Wycombe Wanderers v Croydon. First division: Bromley v Ilford; Chesham United v Harrow Borough; Corinthian-Casuals v Walton & Hersham; Finchley v Dulwich Hamlet; Harlow Town v Aveley; Hertford Town v Wokingham; Hornchurch v Clapton; Maidenhead United v Harwich & Parkeston; Oxford City v Horsham; St Albans City v Hornchurch; Wembley v Ware.

Lacrosse

NORTH OF ENGLAND LEAGUE: First division: Cheadle v Old Hulmeians (at Brookfield); Sheffield University v Old Stopfordians.

SOUTH OF ENGLAND LEAGUE: Tournament: Six-a-side (at Orpington).

Croquet

Compton Weekend.
Roehampton Weekend.

Scottish second division

Albion v Queen's Park
Berwick v Forfar
Dunfermline v Meadowbank
E Stirlingshire v Clyde
Falkirk v Cowdenbeath
Raith Rovers v Brechin
Stranraer v Stenhousemuir

Golf

Sussex amateur championship (at Seaford).
Selborne Salver (at Blackmoor).
Delhi Cup—men's open (at Hockley).
Norfolk Foursomes (at Hunstanton).

Race walking

Southern 30 miles championship (at Slough).

Rackets

Amateur doubles championship—semi-finals round (at Queen's Club).

Real tennis

Amateur singles championship (at Queen's Club).

Road Running

Herne Hill Harriers open 10 miles (at Crystal Palace).
Walthamstow Veterans race.
Hampstead "10".

Rowing

Hammersmith Regatta, ford).

Athletics

Southern Women's League: BRC v Birmingham University v Eastern Counties (at Cambridge).

Rugby Union

Inter-services tournament
Army v RAF (at Twickenham).

Middlesex Sevens
Preliminary rounds (at Beckenham, London Irish, Old Millhillians, Old Pauline, Saracens, UCS Old Boys, Upper Clapton, Wasps).

CLUB MATCHES
Bath v Newport
Bedford v Broughton Park
Birmingham v Pontypool
Bridgend v Penarth
Bristol v Coventry (3.15)
Camborne v Gloucester
Cross Keys v Llanelli
Falmouth v Sth Wales Police
Gosforth v Hull & ER
Halifax v Vale of Lune
Headingley v Fylde
Leicester v Moseley
Maesteg v Pontypridd
Morley v New Brighton
Neath v Cardiff (3.15)
Newbridge v Abertillery
Northampton v Waterloo
Northern v Sheffield
Orrell v Sale
Percy Park v Wakefield
Plymouth Alb v Penzance & Newlyn
Roundhay v Manchester
St Ives v Ebbw Vale
Swansea v Aberavon
West Hartlepool v Middlesbrough
Wilmslow v Liverpool

Hockey

SOUTH LEAGUE: Championship play-offs (at East Grinstead, 11.30).

CLUB MATCHES: Festival (at Bury St Edmunds); Beckenham v Thanet (at Ramsgate); Met. Police v Southgate.

Rugby fives

Amateur singles, amateur doubles and veterans singles, veterans doubles championships (at Alleyn's School, Dulwich and St Dunstan's College, Catford).

Tomorrow

Football

NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE: Goole v Netherfield; Matlock v Barrow; Worksop v Great Harwood.

Rugby League

FIRST DIVISION: Hull v Salford; Wakefield Trinity v Castleford (3.30); Wigan v Workington Town.

SECOND DIVISION: Huddersfield v Rochdale Hornets; Leigh v Batrow (3.30); Whitehaven v Doncaster; York v Huyton.

Rugby Union

JOHN PLAYER CUP: Preliminary round: Walsall v Nottingham.

Lacrosse

ENGLAND TRIAL: Reds v Whites (at Stockport CC, 10.30).

Golf

Sussex amateur championship (at Seaford).
Norfolk foursomes (at Hunstanton).
Hampshire Hog (at North Hants).
Men's open (at Bedfordshire GC).

Rackets

Amateur doubles championship—final (at Queen's Club, 11.0).

Real tennis

Amateur singles championship (at Queen's Club).

Rugby fives

Amateur singles, amateur doubles and veterans singles, veterans doubles championships (at Alleyn's School, Dulwich and St Dunstan's College, Catford).

Hockey

REPRESENTATIVE MATCH: Combined Services v East XI (at Bury St Edmunds, 2.30).

Television

BBC1
Football: Preview (12.35).
Swimming: Britain v The Netherlands v Italy (1.0, 2.5, 3.
Racing: Leicester races at 1. 2.0, 2.30 and 3.0.
Snooker: World professio championship (1.35, 2. 3.5)
Rugby League: St Helens v H Kingston Rovers (3.50).
Football: Match of the (10.45).

BBC2
Snooker: World professio championship (10.10).

BBC2—tomorrow
Rugby Union: Bristol v Cover (5.40).
Snooker: World professio championship (9.50).

IBA
Football: Preview (12.35).
Cycling: Paris Roubaix race (1.
Racing: Thirsk races at 1.30, and 2.30; Sandown P races at 1.45, 2.15 and 2.
Motor cycling: Brands Ha meeting (3.10).
Wrestling: Nottingham promot (4.0).

IBA—tomorrow
Football: Big Match (2.15).

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SPORT

Racing

Fitter Nishapour can take first classic of season in France

From Desmond Stoneham
French Racing Correspondent
Paris, April 21

The Aga Khan has an excellent chance of winning the Poule d'Essai des Poulains (French 2,000 Guineas) at Longchamp on Sunday for the second year in succession. Last year Blushing Groom took the classic for the Aga Khan and he will be represented this year by Nishapour and Kaldoun. My preference is for the former and I expect second place to go to the Baron Guy de Rothschild's Kenmare who, like the Aga Khan's horses, is trained by François Mathet. Caiman and Subject to Raise may fill the minor placings. In the Prix de Fontainebleau at Longchamp on April 2, Kenmare beat Nishapour, on that occasion pacemaking for Kaldoun, by a head. Third, two lengths farther away, came Subject to Raise, then Turville, Malak El Hawa, Green Eagle, Pyjama Hunt and Kaldoun, all of whom meet again in Sunday's race. Kenmare had a fitness advantage over Nishapour that day having already won the Prix Omnium II at St-Cloud the previous month. Henri Samani rides from Kaldoun to Nishapour and the pair will be coupled for the bets.

Criquette Head runs Caiman, who lost a shoe in last Sunday's Longchamp Prix de Noailles. She believes the colt does not stay and reports her charge likely to perform well over this shorter distance. If Aythorpe, who travels from Neville Callaghan's Newmarket stable for the race, can repeat his best two-year-old form he must also be in with a chance. The colt beat Hawaiian Sound, an easy winner of the Heath Stakes at Newmarket yesterday, in the Chesters Stakes at Newcastle last season, and also finished second to Tumbledownwind in the Gimcrack Stakes and Formidable in the Mill Reef. Last Saturday Aythorpe ran fifth to Derrylin in the Greenham Stakes at Newbury.

There seems little reason to oppose Shafaraz in the long distance Prix Jean Prat. He won the Prix de Barbeville from Amyntor and Campero earlier this month and Pierre Biancone, the trainer, is pleased with the horse's condition since that outing. Shafaraz must give Amyntor 2 lb in the Jean Prat on Sunday and I expect him to be equal to the task.

Hawkberry made a favourable impression when making a first appearance in France behind Tepatitlan in the Prix de la Fouilleuse on April 10. This former Irish horse, now at Chantilly with Philippe Lallie, had a desperate season in 1977, but the year before won the Great Voltigeur Stakes at York and finished fourth in both the Epsom and Irish Sweeps Derby. A danger to all in the Jean Prat could be Vagaries, who is the probable mount of Lester Piggott.

POULE D'ESSAI DES POULAINS (Group 1 : 3-y-o colts : £33,333 : 1m)

Kaldoun (Aga Khan), F. Mathet, 9-2 .... J. Heloury
Nishapour (Aga Khan), F. Mathet, 9-2 .... H. Samani
Rusticaro (F. Boutin), R. Carver, 9-2 .... M. Philipperon
Pyjama Hunt (J. Byng), P. Lallie, 9-2 .... J. P. Lefevre
Turville (Mrs R. Cashman), A. Paus, 9-2 .... L. Piggott
Aythorpe (D. S. Cock), N. Callaghan, 9-2 .... P. Eddery
Malak El Hawa (M. Fustok), A. Hawa, 9-2 .... Y. Saint-Martin
Nar (M. Fustok), A. Hawa, 9-2 .... A. Murray
Subject to Raise (A. Ballonneau), F. Boutin, 9-2 .... P. Paquet
Caiman (Mrs A. Head), Mrs C. Head, 9-2 .... F. Head
*Cosmopolitan (R. L. Jollbois), F. Boutin, 9-2 .... —
Le Lorrain (Mrs H. Lazar), M. Zilber, 9-2 .... A. Lequeux
Green Eagle (Mrs P. Ribes), J. Cunnington jnr, 9-2 .... J. C. Desaint
Kenmare (Baron G. de Rothschild), F. Mathet, 9-2 .... A. Badel
Pittsburgh (J. H. Stone), J. Fellows, 9-2 .... G. Rivases

Kenmare, 3-1 Nishapour and Kaldoun (coupled), 6-1 Pyjama Hunt, Subject to Raise, 8-1 Caiman, 10-1 Malak El Hawa and Nar (coupled), 14-1 Turville, 20-1 Aythorpe, 25-1 Le Lorrain, 33-1 others.

PRIX JEAN PRAT (Group II : £16,667 : 1m 7½f)

Montorselli (R. Schafer), F. Boutin, 4-9-1 .... P. Paquet
Daky (Comte A. de Ballliet-Latour), E. Bartholomew, 4-9-2 A. Gibert
Citoyen (S. Fradkoff), J. M. de Choubersky, 6-9-3 .... W. Pyers
Hawkberry (L. M. Gelb), P. Lallie, 5-9-2 .... J. P. Lefevre
Yelpana (W. Heimberg), Arthur Bates, 4-9-0 .... J. C. Desaint
Shafaraz (Mrs A. Nina), P. Biancone, 5-9-0 .... M. Philipperon
*Campero (J. Moreno), M. Zilber, 5-9-0 .... —
Amyntor (M. Boussac), R. Mesme, 4-8-12 .... Y. Saint-Martin
Vagaries (A. Clore), F. Boutin, 4-8-12 .... L. Piggott
Surefire (L. M. Gelb), P. Lallie, 4-8-12 .... G. Guernot
Sovereign Silver (S. McGrath), C. W. Bartholomew, 4-8-12 A. Murray
Midshipman (J. Wertheimer), A. Head, 4-8-12 .... F. Head

Amyntor, 5-2 Shafaraz, 9-2 Vagaries, 7-1 Hawkberry and Surefire (coupled), 10-1 Midshipman, 12-1 Citoyen, 14-1 Montorselli, Yelpana, 33-1 others.

* Doubtful runner

Alexanda the Great to conquer at Thirsk

By Michael Seely

Christopher Thornton, the Middleham trainer, has done remarkably well since taking over the reins from Sam Hall at Spigot Lodge last summer. This afternoon at Thirsk his four-year-old, Alexanda the Great, can defy a 4 lb penalty incurred for winning at Pontefract on Wednesday by capturing the £3,000 Webster's Green Label Trophy. The late Sam Hall was never one to hurry his horses during the early stages of their careers and Thornton is reaping the benefit of that patient policy with this late maturing four-year-old.

Alexanda the Great showed steadily progressive form last autumn. He demonstrated that he has maintained his rate of improvement when beating Privy Consort and Country Fair at Pontefract. Indeed, it is judged on the value of that effort that he may be considered leniently treated today.

The colt faces a stiff task, however. Edward Hide rides the top weight, Move Off. This gallant little horse has the heart of a lion. After winning this event last year Move Off went on to win his second Zetland Gold Cup at Redcar, the Ebor Handicap and another valuable race at Ayr. The five-year-old has inherited all the characteristics of his sire, Farm Walk, owned like Move Off by the joint master of the Zetland Hunt, William Barker.

That game front-runner, Lochranza, is just about to hit peak form as he showed when runner-up to Beverley Boy at Ayr. Joe Carr's seven-year-old is bound to take some catching but he may be a little high in the weights in such a competitive race. Review, a tough handicapper, and Voucher Book may both need their first outings of the season. The consistent Battlement could prove a threat carrying bottom weight. However, Alexanda the Great remains a firm selection.

Both Thirsk and Leicester stage valuable sprint condition races this afternoon. Ubedizzy, who gave a savage exhibition in the unsaddling enclosure at Newmarket on Wednesday was declared overnight for the Thirsk Hall Stakes. But the Jockey Club stewards will not allow this rogue to run until an inquiry has been held into his latest behaviour.

Basically this afternoon's line-up consists of a field of useful handicappers. The two with best claims at the weights are Dick Peacock's Latest Model and Tom Jones's Swing Bridge. Neither horse has been seen out in public this season, but Latest Model has the dual advantage of being the best drawn horse in the race and having Edward Hide on his back. He is therefore the choice.

Leicester's big race, the £4,000 Philip Cornes Trophy, is a higher class event. Run over seven furlongs, the field includes such quick animals as Gwent, Creetown, Hillandale and Mofida. Bruce Hobbs would love to win this race with Gwent for the local Steward, Anthony Villar. But the 1976 Jersey Stakes winner is not favoured by the conditions and has also not been pleasing our Newmarket Correspondent in his work on the heath.

Judged on his narrow defeat by Boldboy at Newmarket last autumn Creetown will be hard to beat. But I prefer to stand by my news of Barry Hill's Mofida and Paul Cole's Hillandale. Mofida's courage enabled her to continue to beat the handicapper constantly last season and she has been sparkling in her gallops at Lambourn. But so too has Hillandale, who Michael Phillips saw moving in great style with Cole's Nottingham winner, White Wonder, last week. Hillandale ran the race of his life when runner-up to Boldboy in the Vernons Sprint Cup at Haydock Park at the end of October and is narrowly preferred to Mofida.

Returning to Thirsk, Middleham's defeat of Pessu in the Brocklesby Stakes at Doncaster was made to look useful form when Pessu score comfortably at the Craven meeting. Ernie Weymes's two-year-old is a confident selection to win his third race of the season in the Clifton Stakes.

Finally a likely winner from Newmarket is My Therape, whom Michael Stoute saddles in the Spring Meeting Stakes. My Therape battled on well when third to Moving Picture at Doncaster and with the benefit of that race can defy top weight today.

Thirsk delay: Three horses broke loose and caused a 46-minute delay to the Juvenile Maiden Sales Stakes at Thirsk yesterday (the Press Association reports). The race was won by Mister Tim.

Thorganby Tina and Lady Bluetran broke loose while Jesp unseated his rider, but was quickly caught. When the field eventually got off, Mister Tim, Frith's Fancy and Thorganby Tina were smartly into their stride, and, with two furlongs still to travel, Mister Tim held a definite advantage. The son of Salingo ridden by 19-year-old Colin Storey, went on to beat Frith's Fancy.

Tommy Fairhurst reached double winning figures for the season when Villa Mill followed up his Ayr victory with a smooth four-length win over Serigma in the Birdforth Stakes Handicap.

Another Dolly fresh, fit and fancied

By Michael Phillips
Racing Correspondent

On a day when Lester Piggott will be in Ireland principally to become reacquainted with another of his classic hopes, Jaazeiro, in the Ballymoss Stakes at the Curragh the main race at Sandown Park will be the Whitbread Gold Cup. There are the same number of runners for this handicap steeplechase run over three miles and five furlongs, as there were last year when John Burke won it for Fred Rimell on Andy Pandy. I think that the same jockey and trainer have a good chance of winning it again with Another Dolly, who could take full advantage of his light weight.

Another Dolly has never won beyond two-and-a-half miles, but he looks the sort who should in time, and what is more he is brilliant jumper. Another Dolly will enter the fray fresh from winning at Liverpool, where some of his principal rivals this afternoon have had unfortunate experiences recently.

Fort Devon started favourite for the Gold Cup at Cheltenham but finished only fifth—18 lengths behind the winner, Midnight Court, and 10 lengths behind Master H, who he will be meeting on 5 lb worse terms this afternoon. Fort Devon's bad performance that day was because of a broken blood vessel. Against that background confidence in Fort Devon's ability to win Fulke Walwyn his fifth Whitbread Trophy can hardly be as strong as it might be.

Shifting Gold, Spartan Missile, Strombolus and Churchtown Boy all fell in their last race. Shifting Gold is capable of running well provided that his fall in the Grand National has not shaken his confidence. After all he has won twice over today's course and distance this season.

Spartan Missile is a good horse, but it is not easy to equate his form in hunter-chases with that of his principal rivals this afternoon. On top of that it is arguable that his young rider, Jane Thorne faces a much more difficult task today than she has ever done before in hunter chases or point-to-points because this race is invariably run at a breakneck gallop from start to finish.

April Seventh won the race three years ago, but he looks a shadow of his former self and he refused to go on in the National. On the other hand, Michael Oliver, is convinced that Master H will run well and it is not difficult to envisage him being a danger to one and all. Apparently he came out of his race in the Gold Cup so well that Oliver begged his owner, Simon Marsh, to let him take his chance and Marsh readily agreed.



Gold strike : Little Nugget wins Sandown's Harrison Drape Handicap from Attivo and Moonlight Rag.

Royal Epic has been trained especially with today in mind all winter, but it remains to be seen whether his freshness will counterbalance the fact that he will be carrying at least 4lb overweight and 9lb more than he was given in the long handicap. Having won the Grand National with Lucius, Gordon Richards is chasing another of jumping's most coveted prizes with Current Gold, who finished third in the Scottish Grand National only a week ago. Current Gold should run well again, but I still prefer a horse of Another Dolly's class at these weights.

Hot Grove and Classic Example, who were both placed in classics last year—Hot Grove behind the Minstrel in the Derby, Classic Example behind the same horse in the Irish Derby and behind Dunfermline and Alleged in the St Leger—will make their first appearance of the new season in the Westbury Stakes along with that much improved horse, Air Trooper, and Paico who has come from France recently to be trained in this country.

Yesterday I did not detect much confidence behind either Hot Grove or Air Trooper during the course of discussions with their respective trainers, but I know that Classic Example is expected to run well even though the distance may not be ideal and in spite of the fact that he has been penalized to the hilt. In the circumstances the outcome could depend on whether Classic Example can give 11lb to Welsh Dancer, who ran so well against Orchestra in the John Porter Stakes at Newbury last Saturday.

Taking a line through Orchestra, who finished a place behind Classic Example in the Irish Derby last year, Classic Example can be given a good chance, but the advantage of a previous race lies with Welsh Dancer and he is preferred on this occasion. Classic Example's new stable companion, Paico, will be having his first race in this country. His form in France last season was good enough to suggest that he will win good races in time but possibly not this one today.

The ground was soft yesterday and that will certainly suit Bolak, who is my selection for the Classic Trial run over a mile and a quarter. Bolak will be meeting Shirley Heights on 6lb better terms than when he was beaten three-quarters of a length by him in the Royal Lodge Stakes at Ascot last autumn.

On this occasion Roscoe Blake should be more of a danger to Bolak than either Whitstead or Carriage Flight. Roscoe Blake was probably beating his head against a brick wall at Teesside Park last month when he was trying to give 4lb to Bolak's stable companion, Camden Town, by whom he was beaten three lengths.

Paul Cole told me yesterday that he thought he had a good chance of winning the Sandown Park Two-Year-Old Stakes with Heir to the Throne as well as the Philip Cornes Trophy at Leicester with Hillandale, who has been going so well at home recently.

Henry Candy and his jockey, Philip Waldron, stole the show at Sandown Park yesterday when they landed a double with Roses, who won the Tudor Stakes comfortably, and Pipedreamer, who was not winning out of turn when he ran away with the Athlone Handicap. However, the most impressive winner of the afternoon was surely Lake Naivasha who ran away with the April Maiden Stakes. The way that she left her rivals stone cold in the straight had to be seen to be believed.

I was not remotely surprised to hear her trainer, Dick Hern, say afterwards that he would run her next at Chester in the Cheshire Oaks. Lake Naivasha was yet another good winner for her sire, Blakeney, besides being yet one more for her trainer, whose stable has certainly clicked into top gear this week.

Night Nurse changes

Night Nurse, the dual champion hurdler, is to go steeplechasing next season. This was revealed at Thirsk by Reg Spencer the seven-year-old's owner.

STATE OF GOING (official): Thirsk: Good. Leicester: Good to soft. Sandown Park: Soft. Uttoxeter: Good to soft. Hexham: Good. Monday: Bath: Good. Warwick: Soft. Folkestone: Soft.

Sandown Park programme

[Television (IBA) : 1.45, 2.15 and 2.55 races]

1.45 SANDOWN PARK STAKES (2-y-o : £1,755 : 5f)

13 Galaxy Capricorn (D) (Galaxy Tape and Disc Co Ltd), R. Hannon 9-4 F. Durr 3
1 Heir To The Throne (D) (W. Ponsonby), P. Cole, 9-4 .... S. Eccles 6
212 Friendly Neighbour (D) (C. Hill), Hill, 9-1 .... P. Eddery 4
Admiral Grenville (R. Reeves), G. Harwood, 8-11 G. Starkey 5
0 Joleg (F. Ben Sasi), B. Hills, 8-11 .... R. Street 6
Saracen Prince (Susan Hadida Ltd), P. Kelleway, 8-11 .... W. Carson 2
3 Winsor Boy (K. MacKenzie), A. Davison, 8-11 .. J. Mercer 1

Heir To The Throne, 4-1 Galaxy Capricorn, 9-2 Friendly Neighbour, 6-1 Winsor Boy, 10-1 Joleg, 12-1 Admiral Grenville, Saracen Prince.

2.15 WESTBURY STAKES (Group III : £8,224 : 1¼m)

01123- Classic Example (D) (Col F. Hue-Williams), P. Walwyn, 4-9-7 P. Eddery 5
01430- Claire's Slipper (D) (W. McEnery), N. Adam, 4-9-6 .... A. Murray 1
12431- Hot Grove (Ld Leverhulme), R. Houghton, 4-9-2 W. Carson 2
401132- Air Trooper (C-D,S) (S. Digby), W. Wightman, 5-8-12 .... M. Thomas 3
123422- Paico (D. Wildenstein), P. Walwyn, 4-8-12 .... G. Starkey 7
120030- Rymer (H. Blagrave), W. Hastings-Bass, 7-8-12 B. Taylor 8
31141-2 Welsh Dancer (G. Weston), H. Cecil, 4-8-12 .... J. Mercer 6
Tudor Twynkell (D. Peterson), R. Atkins, 4-8-6 .. B. Rouse 4

Welsh Dancer, 3-1 Paico, 7-2 Hot Grove, 6-1 Classic Example, 12-1 Air Trooper, 14-1 Rymer, 25-1 Claire's Slipper, 100-1 Tudor Twynkell.

2.55 WHITBREAD GOLD CUP STEEPLECHASE (Handicap : £14,698 : 3m 5f 118yd)

3-12110 Fort Devon (C. Bird jun), F. Walwyn, 12-12-0 .... W. Smith
2211u3 Master H (C) (S. Marsh), M. Oliver, 9-11-9 .... R. Crank
0-14340 Fort Fox (Mrs G. McKey), J. Cox, 9-11-8 .... R. Champion
0111ff Shifting Gold (C) (R. Russell), K. Bailey, 9-11-0 M. Dickinson
11111f Spartan Missile (C) (M. Thorne), Thorne, 6-10-0 .... Miss J. Thorne 7
33131 Another Dolly (C) (I. Urquhart), F. Rimell, 8-10-0 J. Burke
04432r April Seventh (C-D) (Mrs B. Meehan), R. Turnell, 12-10-0 .... A. Turnell
22111f Strombolus (M. Buckley), P. Bailey, 7-10-0 .... T. Stack
031120 Parkhouse (C) (Mrs M. Easton), Mrs Easton, 9-10-0 C. Candy
3110-1 Royal Epic (R. Read), V. Cross, 7-10-0 .... J. King
303303 Current Gold (A. Picken), G. Richards, 7-10-0 .... D. Goulding
123-2p Precious Jem (L. Norris), Norris, 10-10-0 .... C. Knight 5
0000ff Churchtown Boy (B. Arnold), M. Salaman, 11-10-0 M. Floyd
40p403 Shanes Castle (J. Duffy), Duffy, 11-10-0 .... C. Brown 3
443302 William Penn (J. Pearman), Pearman, 7-10-0 .... P. O'Brien 3

Master H, 4-1 Fort Devon, 8-1 Royal Epic, Spartan Missile, 10-1 Another Dolly, Shifting Gold, 12-1 Current Gold, Fort Fox, Strombolus, 14-1 April Seventh, Parkhouse, 20-1 Churchtown Boy, 33-1 Precious Jem, 66-1 Shanes Castle, William Penn.

3.35 FISHER CUP HANDICAP (3-y-o : £3,355 : 1m)

140- Nutbara (E. Echavarria), H. Price, 9-1 .... B. Taylor 1
12231-0 Bondi (A. Clarke), H. Candy, 8-12 .... P. Waldron 11
010- *Colonel Parks (Miss T. Macdonald), D. Kent, 8-12 F. Durr 3
11322-3 Cunard (B. Hobbs), Hobbs, 8-11 .... G. Lewis 8
101200- Dasman (Wyld Court Stud), J. Sutcliffe, 8-8 .... B. Rouse 5
1-4 Rhyme Royal (The Queen), W. Hern, 8-7 .... W. Carson 2
0210-0 Hackbridge (I.T.P. London Ltd), T. Gosling, 8-7 .... A. Murray 10
31133 Long John (D) (N. Graham), J. Dunlop, 8-6 .. J. Mercer 9
006-41 Brother Kempinski (G. Frezne), A. Geraghty, 8-4 P. Eddery 12
00303-0 King Alfred (Maj H. Cayzer), W. Wightman, 7-13 M. Thomas 4
00-003 Lady Abernant (Brian A. Shovelton 'North Wales' Ltd), E. Reavey, 7-7 R. Street 7
413-00 Coffee House (P. Mellon), I. Balding, 7-6 .... S. Payne 7 5

Brother Kempinski, 9-2 Cunard, 6-1 Nutbara, Rhyme Royal, 10-1 Hackbridge, Long John, 12-1 Lady Abernant, 16-1 Bondi, 20-1 Dasman, King Alfred, Coffee House.

4.10 CLASSIC TRIAL STAKES (Group III : 3-y-o : £5,992 : 1¼m)

21321- Shirley Heights (Ld Halifax), J. Dunlop, 9-3 .. G. Starkey 3
2000-4 Bogey Man (G. Greenwood), W. Marshall, 8-11 .. F. Durr 6
3112-4 Bolak (C) (Countess M. Esterhazy), P. Walwyn, 8-11 .... P. Eddery 5
010-1 Cartridge Flight (S. Keswick), J. Tree, 8-11 .... J. Mercer 1
01- Crimson Beau (D) (H. Spearing), P. Cole, 8-11 P. Waldron 7
4147-2 Roscoe Blake (Mrs J. Bricken), B. Hobbs, 8-11 .. G. Lewis 8
120- Whitstead (H. Demetriou), H. Price, 8-11 .... B. Taylor 4
03420- Huarallno (A. Blasco), G. Hunter, 8-7 .... M. Roberts 2

Roscoe Blake, 7-2 Bolak, 4-1 Shirley Heights, 5-1 Whitstead, 8-1 Cartridge Flight, 10-1 Crimson Beau, 14-1 Huarallno, 25-1 Bogey Man.

4.40 MARCUS BERESFORD STAKES (3-y-o : £1,270 : 5f)

330-40 Aban (F. Thrush), D. Whelan, 9-0 .... B. Rouse 2
030-03 Bandido (J. Tarbuck), D. Marks, 9-0 .... J. Mercer 8
000-03 Best Portion (Miss A. Westerdick), J. Holt, 9-0 P. Waldron 11
00-0 Calibunda (C. Burrough), P. Cole, 9-0 .... S. Eccles 5 9
00-0 Garlic Affair (D. Harris), G. Hunter, 9-0 .... M. Roberts 17
20- Glenblest (Mrs B. Burchett), G. Harwood, 9-0 G. Starkey 18
Jolly Green Giant (Food Brokers Ltd), D. Kent, 9-0 F. Durr 10
Kazan (D. Wildenstein), P. Walwyn, 9-0 .... P. Eddery 6
000- Red Carpet (G. Greenwood), R. Akehurst, 9-0 13
0- Royal Portrait (Mrs L. Brady), D. Keith, 9-0 .... P. Court 7 14
0334-4 Thrax (Maj A. Smith-Bingham), M. Smyly, 9-0 .. R. Curant 5
30000- Ustad Arriba (V. Waller), R. Smyth, 9-0 .... G. Lewis 3
0000- Workshop (E. Dicasiopoulou), C. Nelson, 9-0 .. T. Rogers 7
0- Early Tudor (J. Styles), A. Ingham, 8-11 .... M. Thomas 4
Hanovia Jewel (Hanovia Lamps Ltd), P. Cundell, 8-11 .... R. Street 12
000-0 Karen Sissy (Dr J. Sahagun), R. Smyth, 8-11 G. Ramshaw 16
00430- Mags Town (H. Wilks), L. Hall, 8-11 .... N. Butler 15
000-00 Street Girl (P. Cook), M. Haynes, 8-11 .... W. Carson 1

Kazan, 4-1 Best Portion, 9-2 Thrax, 5-1 Calibunda, 6-1 Bandido, 10-1 Glenblest, 12-1 Mags Town, 14-1 Aban, 20-1 others.

Sandown Park selections

By Our Racing Correspondent
1.45 HEIR TO THE THRONE is specially recommended. 2.15 Welsh Dancer. 2.55 Another Dolly. 3.35 Lady Abernant. 4.10 Bolak. 4.40 Best Portion.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent
1.45 Saracen Prince. 2.15 Welsh Dancer. 3.35 Cunard. 4.10 Roscoe Blake.

Leicester programme

[Television (BBC1) : 1.30, 2.0, 2.30 and 3.0 races]

1.30 PHILIP CORNES NICKEL STAKES (3-y-o : maidens : £1,858 : 6f)

1 40- Energy Plus, N. Adam, 9-0 .... P. Madden 8
5 403004- Paulliac, P. Cole, 9-0 .... G. Baxter 6
6 4000- Prime Runner, G. Hunter, 9-0 .... E. Johnson 11
8 0000- Shahabad, D. Wooden, 9-0 .... P. Young 5 4
9 0000-0 Simioni, R. Akehurst, 9-0 .... D. McKay 1
12 400000- Equus, P. Kelleway, 8-11 .... S. Salmon 10
15 0-0 Singapore Jewel, G. P.-Gordon, 8-11 .... E. Eldin 5
16 00-00 Soft Melody, J. Hardy, 8-11 .... J. Matthias 3
17 2033-04 Tellywog, W. Marshall, 8-11 .... R. Marshall 4
18 Wahoo, P. Cundell, 8-9 .... P. Cook 7
19 Flying Sal, J. Winter, 8-6 .... J. Lynch 2

11-10 Paulliac, 4-1 Singapore Jewel, 9-2 Wahoo, 6-1 Tellywog, 8-1 Prime Runner, 12-1 others.

2.0 PHILIP CORNES STEELS STAKES (3-y-o : £1,601 : 1¼m)

1 1100-02 Alaskan Prince, W. Marshall, 9-7 .... R. Marshall 3
2 21-1 Vestal Virgin (C-D), I. Balding, 9-2 .... J. Matthias 4
4 201034- Mandrian, P. Ashworth, 8-10 .... A. Bond 2
5 004- Justin Thyme, B. Hills, 8-0 .... E. Johnson 5
6 03-1 Noble Heir, P. Cole, 7-13 .... G. Baxter 6
9 000214- Vestal King (C), J. Hardy, 7-0 .... D. McKay 1

11-4 Noble Heir, 3-1 Vestal Virgin, 4-1 Alaskan Prince, 11-2 Justin Thyme, 6-1 Mandrian, 10-1 Vestal King.

2.30 PHILIP CORNES TROPHY STAKES (£3,163 : 7f)

1 010002- Gwent (D,S), B. Hobbs, 5-9-7 .... E. Eldin 5
2 103311- Malecite, P. Walwyn, 5-9-7 .... F. Morby 2
3 03- Creetown (D), R. Sheather, 6-9-1 .... J. Lynch 6
6 000002- Hillandale (D), P. Cole, 6-9-1 .... G. Baxter 4
10 43144-0 Mofida, B. Hills, 4-9-1 .... E. Johnson 3
12 0000-34 Noble Venture, C. Austin, 4-9-1 .... D. McKay 1

9-4 Creetown, 7-2 Mofida, 9-2 Hillandale, 5-1 Malecite, 15-2 Gwent, 10-1 Noble Venture.

3.0 TITANIUM STAKES (2-y-o : maidens : £996 : 5f)

1 4 As Wise, B. Hills, 9-0 .... E. Johnson 5
2 0 Beat The Gun, P. Haslam, 9-0 .... B. Jago 9
4 0 Bohola Boy, D. Weeden, 9-0 .... P. Young 3 4
6 Don Drake, D. Thom, 9-0 3
7 3 Dragonite Prince, N. Callaghan, 9-0 .... J. Lynch 1
8 0 Foul Fella, R. Hannon, 9-0 .... D. Atkinson 7
9 2 Ghazal, J. Hardy, 9-0 .... P. Madden 11
11 Lough Crew, W. Stephenson, 9-0 .... D. Ryan 6
13 Longtrede, W. Stephenson, 8-11 .... K. Simms 7 10
19 Radiant Gal, T. Waugh, 8-11 .... P. Cook 8
21 0 Sweetboy, E. Reaves, 8-11 .... J. Matthias 2

15-8 Ghazal, 5-2 As Wise, 5-1 Dragonite Prince, 6-1 Foul Fella, 10-1 Radiant Gal, 14-1 others.

3.30 REDDITCH STAKES (2-y-o : £549 : 5f)

3 4 All Heart, P. Ashworth, 8-8 .... A. Bond 1
3 0 Aunt Ivy, D. Thom, 8-8 .... J. Lynch 5
5 00 Milford Miss, J. Hardy, 8-8 .... P. Cook 4
6 My Solitaire, P. Cole, 8-8 .... G. Baxter 2
7 0 Sleepline Comfort, R. Hannon, 8-8 .... P. Perkins 3

5-2 My Solitaire, 5-1 All Heart, 7-2 Sleepline Comfort, 4-1 Milford Miss, 6-1 Aunt Ivy.

4.0 COSSINGTON STAKES (£1,147 : 1¼m)

1 20224-0 Digitalis, J. Hardy, 4-9-6 .... P. Madden 17
2 00- Sunday Guest, M. Stoute, 4-9-6 .... P. Cook 18
3 00400-3 Versailles Prince, A. Ingham, 5-9-6 .... E. Eldin 5
4 0010-0 Western Spring, L. Cumani, 4-9-0 .... D. Power 10
6 004043- United, M. Haynes, 5-8-11 .... B. Jago 1
7 0 Claytos, J. Bradley, 6-8-9 .... A. Cartwright 7 15
8 00-0 Hauser, W. Hern, 4-8-9 .... A. Bond 16
9 0 Prince Valentino, D. H. Jones, 4-8-9 .... S. Salmon 7
10 0000-0 Another Chapter, Mrs L. Dingwall, 4-8-6 .. W. Wharton 5 13
11 Cosmopolitan, J. Bradley, 5-8-6 .... D. McKay 6
12 00-0 Ewen's Rock, J. Bradley, 4-8-6 .... P. Young 3 4
13 3400- Flowering, P. Arthur, 4-8-6 8
14 0034- Golaway Girl, E. Reavey, 4-8-6 .... J. Matthias 9
15 0- Just Peep, V. Lay, 4-8-6 .... F. Morby 3
16 20- Piper's Gold, P. M. Taylor, 4-8-6 .... C. Bonness 7 2
17 School Road, B. Hobbs, 4-8-6 .... G. Baxter 12
18 Solidity, D. Nicholson, 4-8-6 .... R. Fox 14
19 240042- Supreme Love, C. Dingwall, 4-8-6 .... J. Lynch 11

4-7 Digitalis, 4-1 Versailles Prince, 6-1 Sunday Guest, 10-1 Pipers Gold, 12-1 United, 14-1 others.

Leicester selections

By Our Racing Staff
1.30 Paulliac. 2.0 Alaskan Prince. 2.30 Hillandale. 3.0 Ghazal. 3.30 Milford Miss. 4.0 Western Spring.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent
1.30 Tellywog. 2.30 Gwent. 3.0 Dragonite Prince. 3.30 Aunt Ivy. 4.0 Western Spring.

Thirsk programme

[Television (IBA) : 1.30, 2.0 and 2.30 races]

1.30 CLIFTON STAKES (2-y-o : £1,721 : 5f)

1 211 Middleham (D), E. Weymes, 9-4 .... E. Hide 7
4 Cottam Rocket, M. W. Easterby, 8-11 .... C. Dwyer 5
7 0 Measure Up, B. Carr, 8-11 .... M. Birch 6
10 Solar Emperor, W. Gray, 8-11 .... E. Apter 1
11 0 Whistling Jet, E. Carr, 8-11 .... B. Raymond 8
12 0 Zyppon, R. Hollinshead, 8-11 .... T. Ives 9
13 Gay Blanche, J. Etherington, 8-8 .... J. Seagrave 2
14 0 Miss Skylark, M. W. Easterby, 8-8 .... C. Moss 3
15 Proper Madam, P. Asquith, 8-8 .... S. Perks 4

1-3 Middleham, 5-1 Miss Skylark, 8-1 Measure Up, 12-1 Cottam Rocket, 14-1 others.

2.0 THIRSK HALL STAKES (£4,227 : 6f)

202 03111-0 Jon George (D,B), M. W. Easterby, 4-10-0 B. Raymond 11
203 020010- *Ubedizzy (C-D), S. Nesbitt, 5-10-0 2
204 103031- Palmvinnia, J. Etherington, 5-9-11 .... J. Seagrave 7
205 32122-4 Beethoven (D), M. W. Easterby, 4-9-0 .... C. Moss 14
206 110020- Cedar Grange (C-D), C. Bewicke, 4-9-0 .... J. Reid 6
208 002001- Latest Model (D), R. D. Peacock, 4-9-0 .... E. Hide 13
306 1112-41 Alexandra The Great, C. Thornton, 4-8-10 .... J. Bleasdale 6
210 110103- Majestic Bay (D), V. Mitchell, 4-9-0 .... P. Tulk 9
211 221411- Nice Value, R. Hollinshead, 4-9-0 .... T. Ives 4
212 010024- Pay Roll (C-D), J. Etherington, 5-8-11 .... B. Hood 3
213 13233- Swing Bridge (B), Thomson Jones, 3-8-0 .. G. Duffield 8
215 00221- Tough Guy, P. Asquith, 3-8-0 .... S. Perks 1
216 14041-0 Native Berry (D), C. Austin, 3-7-11 .... J. Lowe 10

4-1 Nice Value, 9-2 Magnolia Lad, 6-1 Palmvinnia, 7-1 Jon George, 8-1 Latest Model, 10-1 Pay Roll, Majestic Bay, 12-1 Cedar Grange, 16-1 others.

2.30 WEBSTER'S TROPHY HANDICAP (£2,443 : 1½m)

301 134011- Move Off (C-D), J. Calvert, 5-10-0 .... E. Hide 1
302 412030- Review, M. H. Easterby, 4-9-7 .... M. Birch 9
303 141020- Voucher Book (C-D), C. Thornton, 5-9-1 .... R. Meade 7 10
304 0310-02 Lochranza (C-D), E. Carr, 7-8-11 .... L. Charnock 3
305 222144- Butterscotch, C. Bewicke, 4-8-8 .... J. Reid 4
306 1112-41 Alexanda The Great, C. Thornton, 4-8-10 .... J. Bleasdale 6
308 01300-0 English Expert, Denys Smith, 4-8-2 .... P. Kelleher 7
309 101003- Netherton (C-D), M. H. Easterby, 5-7-11 .... G. Duffield 8
310 020-214 Autumn Glow (B), T. Fairhurst, 5-7-7 .... C. Eccleston 5
311 2420-12 Battlement (C), E. Collingwood, 6-7-7 .... J. Lowe 2

7-2 Alexanda The Great, 4-1 Move Off, 5-1 Battlement, 6-1 Lochranza, 8-1 Autumn Glow, 10-1 Netherton, 12-1 Review, 14-1 others.

3.0 BYLAND HANDICAP (3-y-o : £2,267 : 6f)

401 124-0 Primula Boy, J. W. Watts, 9-0 .... J. Lowe 6
403 02423-0 Welsh Blossom, N. Adam, 8-12 .... J. Bleasdale 1
404 00212-3 Ackabarrow, E. Weymes, 8-9 .... E. Hide 5
405 1220-02 Al Forman (D), P. Robinson, 8-5 .... P. Robinson 7
406 302110- Miss Cindy, J. Etherington, 8-5 .... J. Seagrave 4
407 C00014- Star Kid, V. Mitchell, 8-1 .... P. Tulk 3
409 4302-31 Robolin (D), R. Hollinshead, 8-0 .... K. Darley 5 13
410 3024-03 Woodchat, T. Fairhurst, 7-13 .... C. Eccleston 12
412 2310-04 Working Girl, M. W. Easterby, 7-12 .... G. Duffield 8
414 0310-00 Kilburn Boy, J. Skilling, 7-10 .... E. Apter 10
418 0000-00 Canny Yatton, J. Calvert, 7-8 .... L. Charnock 2
419 043040- Mums Song, M. W. Easterby, 7-0 .... C. Rodrigues 5
420 0010- Master Bishop (D), P. Rohan, 7-0 .... L. Parkes 11

4-1 Robolin, 9-2 Al Forman, 5-1 Woodchat, 6-1 Primula Boy, 8-1 Working Girl, 10-1 Miss Cindy, 12-1 Star Kid, Ackabarrow, 16-1 others.

3.30 SPRING MEETING HANDICAP (£2,152 : 7f)

501 00240-3 My Therape, M. Stoute, 4-9-7 .... G. Duffield 8
502 002000- Luke Splendid (C), J. Etherington, 4-9-4 .... J. Seagrave 4
503 2022-10 Dust-Up (D), R. Hollinshead, 4-9-3 .... K. Darley 5 12
504 22120-0 Trackalady, W. Haigh, 3-9-3 .... T. Ives 13
505 422134- Fairy Fisherman (DB), J. Hindley, 4-9-1 .. A. Kimberley 2
506 20034-0 Broon's Secret, M. H. Easterby, 4-9-0 .... M. Birch 6
507 1000-20 Crimson Silk (B), R. Mason, 4-8-11 .... J. Reid 1
508 0014-00 Red Johnnie (D), C. Brittain, 4-8-10 .... E. Hide 10
510 410200- Yoohoo, J. Fitzgerald, 4-8-5 .... G. Oldroyd 9
512 1400-0 Mellow Girl, N. Adam, 3-8-0 .... J. Bleasdale 7
513 231233- Fettercairn (D), W. H. Williams, 4-8-0 .. T. Major 7 11
515 000-400 Star Attention, K. Mitchard, 4-7-7 .... S. Webster 3
516 03413-0 Nicolene, I. Walker, 4-7-7 .... C. Rodrigues 5 8

100-30 My Therape, 4-1 Dust-Up, 5-1 Fairy Fisherman, 13-2 Broons Secret, 8-1 Trackalady, 10-1 Fettercairn, 12-1 Red Johnnie, 14-1 Crimson Silk, 20-1 others.

4.0 STRAITLACE STAKES (Maidens : £1,241 : 1m)

601 00-0000 Amatilian, R. Sheather, 4-9-7 .... A. Kimberley 16
602 00- Exotic Dawn, D. Dartnall, 4-9-7 .... P. O'Leary 9
603 00- Lady Val, T. Fairhurst, 4-9-7 .... N. Crowther 15
604 400- Lizanna, J. Fitzgerald, 4-9-7 .... G. Oldroyd 14
609 *20004- Carlton's Girl, L. Cumani, 3-8-4 .... B. Raymond 11
610 004-0 Cavurina, C. Brittain, 3-8-4 .... E. Hide 7
611 0000-00 Charlotte Helan, K. Stapleton, 3-8-4 .... S. Hall 7 6
615 0300-40 Cross Channel, W. H. Williams, 3-8-4 .... T. Major 7 13
616 000000- Eternal Triangle, J. Calvert, 3-8-4 .... G. Duffield 5
617 000-0 Hommage, W. Elsey, 3-8-4 .... J. Lowe 12
618 040-000 Honey Season (B), M. W. Easterby, 3-8-4 .... C. Moss 3
619 0400-0 Immodest Miss, R. Hollinshead, 3-8-4 .... T. Ives 9
620 00-0 Jubilant (B), P. Walwyn, 3-8-4 .... N. Howe 7 1
621 00- Julorne, E. Carr, 3-8-4 .... M. Birch 4
623 30000- Newham, J. Calvert, 3-8-4 .... J. Seagrave 2
624 000000- Tatters, N. Adam, 3-8-4 .... — 10

5-2 Cavurina, 7-2 Carltons Girl, 5-1 Cross Channel, 6-1 Immodest Miss, 8-1 Hommage, 10-1 Jubilant, 12-1 others.

* Doubtful runner

Thirsk selections

By Our Racing Staff
1.30 Middleham. 2.0 Latest Model. 2.30 ALEXANDA THE GREAT is specially recommended. 3.0 Robolin. 3.30 My Therape. 4.0 Carlton's Girl.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent
2.0 Swing Bridge. 3.0 Al Forman. 3.30 My Therape. 4.0 Carlton's Girl.

Sandown Park results

2.0 (2.4) JUVENILE STAKES (2-y-o maiden fillies: £1,362: 5f)
Carrie Red, b f, by Scottish Rifle—Sister Anne (K. Hsu), 8-11 .... E. Johnson (8-1) 1
Contented Sole, b f, by Gulf Pearl—Diatomite (J. Grimes), 8-11 .... F. Durr (8-1) 2
Girls Division, b r, by Hotfoot—Pie Eye (Ld Leverhulme), 8-11 .... L. Piggott (8-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 9-2 it favs Run Julia, Plum Run, 5-1 Desdemona, 8-1 Hi-Gemini, 10-1 Bold Blue, Devon Ditty, 12-1 High Bird (4th), 20-1 Heather's Girl, Kings Progress, Queen's Niece, Tantra, 14 ran.
TOTE: Win, 96p; places, 31p, 37p, 53p; dual forecast, £19.39. B. Hills, at Lambourn. 3½l, 3l. 1min 9.33sec.

2.30 (2.34) SANDOWN HANDICAP (£3,...: 1½m)
Celtic Pleasure, b c, by Irish Ball—First Delight (Miss E. Rieden), 4-8-8 .. B. Raymond (7-2 fav) 1
Town and Country, b c, by Town Crier—First Huntress (Lord Porchester), 4-8-10 .... W. Carson (14-1) 2
Le Soleil, ch c, by Roi Soleil—Mayo Blues (PIP Plant Hire Ltd), 4-8-3 .. G. Lewis (15-2) 3
ALSO RAN: 11-2 Peerless Prince, Prince Gabriel, 13-2 St Petersburg, 7-1 St Briavels (4th), 12-1 Lucent, 14-1 Junella, 16-1 Rockery, 20-1 Frankie, L. Padrone. 12 ran.
TOTE: Win, 40p; places, 13p, 72p, 18p; dual forecast, £4.71. J. Bethell, at Fordingbridge. 3l, 3l. 2min 19.97sec.

3.05 HARRISON 'DRAPE' STAYERS HANDICAP (£5,607: 1½m)
Little Nugget, b h, by Frankincense—Coonbeam (Mrs P. Conlan), 5-7-9 .... M. L. Thomas (15-2) 1
Attivo, b g, by Appiani II—El Galgo (P. O'Sullivan), 8-7-2 .... N. Howe (12-1) 2
Moonlight Rag, b h, by Ragusa—Strong Light (J. Martin), 5-7-13 .... P. Waldron (4-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 9-4 fav Night Watch, (4th), 7-1 Palmerston, 15-2 Tug of War, 11-1 Mini, 14-1 Marakas, 16-1 Japsilk, 33-1 Caporello. 10 ran.
TOTE: Win, 74p; places, 19p, 27p, 21p; dual forecast, £5.90. M. Prescott, at Newmarket. 1l, nk. 3min 17.70sec.

3.40 (3.42) TUDOR STAKES (3-y-o: £1,951: 1m)
Roses, b f, by Ribero-Rossaura (Lady Rothfield), 8-8 .... P. Waldron (100-30) 1
Hatched, b c, by Thatch—Honey Match (C. d'Alessio), 8-11 .... G. Dettori (10-1) 2
Royglen, ch c, by Mallcious—Heather Bloom (A. Kennedy), 8-11 .... H. Ballantine (25-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 15-8 fav Stephano, 10-1 Mecarillo, So Proper, 11-1 American, 12-1 Heroic (4th), 14-1 Leguard, 20-1 Kingsfold Lad, 33-1 Jimmy Hill, Quillan, Starshot, Wareath. 14 ran.
TOTE: Win, 34p; places, 16p, 37p, £3.66; dual forecast, £2.25. H. Candy, Wantage. 3l, ¾l. 1min 52.77sec.

4.10 (4.17) APRIL MAIDEN STAKES (3-y-o fillies: £1,864: 1½m)
Lake Naivasha, b f, by Blakeney—Sweet Hour (Lord Irwin), 8-11 .... W. Carson (11-2) 1
Hatton Girl, b f, by Balliol—Blonde Bomb (Mrs B. Shack), 8-11 .... S. Salmon (8-1) 2
Micklomere, b f, by Blakeney—Lochallort (Major Gen Sir G. Burns), 8-11 L. Piggott (15-2) 3
ALSO RAN: 11-4 fav Western Gem, 13-2 Moriolly, 10-1 Ajuda Palace, Idle Waters (4th), 16-1 Cherry Picking, Frola, 20-1 Calling Low, Coralea, Indian Bird, Lilian Clare, Nell-Rate, 25-1 Miss Snowball, 33-1 Jubilee Year, Split Personality, Spring River, Hipaway. 19 ran.
TOTE: Win, 98p; places, 27p, 38p, 36p; dual forecast, £8.02. W. Hern, West Ilsley. 7l, 3l. 2min 22.45sec.

4.45 (4.47) ATHLONE HANDICAP (3-y-o: £2,141: 5f)
Pipedreamer, gr c, by Breeders Dream—Empress of Britain (Mrs M. Day), 8-6 P. Waldron (5-2) 1
Peach Melba, b f, by So Blessed—Whipped Cream (H. Joel), 8-13 .... G. Lewis (16-1) 2
Redding Ridge, b c, by Royal Smoke—Mon Ami (D. Holdway), 8-6 .... L. Piggott (8-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 5-4 fav Hagalell, 10-1 Oscilight, 14-1 Golden Libra, 20-1 Charlie Lady, Edna's Choice, Mattock, Sandfleet (4th), 33-1 Et Tu Brute. 11 ran.
TOTE: Win, 30p; places, 11p, 62p, 15p; dual forecast, £2.97. H. Candy, Wantage. 5l, 4l. 1min 07.51sec. General Wade did not run.

TOTE DOUBLE: Little Nugget and Lake Naivasha, £65.40. TREBLE: Celtic Pleasure, Roses and Pipedreamer, £26.35. JACKPOT: Not won, pool carried forward, £1,606.79. PLACEPOT: £50.20.

Thirsk

2.15 (2.16) KNAYTON STAKES (3-y-o: £683: 5f)
Helen's Sceptre, ch f, by Gold Rod—Lady Helen (P. Asquith), 8-8 .... S. Perks (9-4 fav) 1
Clare's Maid, b f, by Tyrant—Reformed Maid (R. Howe), 8-8 .... T. Walsh (7-2) 2
Two Friendly, gr f, by Be Friendly—Tijuanna (R. ....), 8-8 .... C. Moss (7-2) 3
ALSO RAN: 9-2 Vic Oyston (4th), 7-1 Star Lady, 10-1 Rugsy, 14-1 Foreign Agent, Giggleswick. 8 ran.
TOTE: Win, 30p; places, 11p, 12p, 24p; dual forecast, 56p. P. Asquith, at Wetherby. 1½l, 3l. The winner was bought for 1,000gns.

2.45 (2.47) SOWERBY STAKES (3-y-o: £1,179: 1m)
Sandione, ch c, by Sandford Lad—........ (........ Disc Co Ltd) .. D. Henry (20-1) 1
Marfal Game, b c, by Double-U-Jay—Honaria (P. Shaw), 8-11 .... P. Young (5-2 jt fav) 2
Rate, b c, by Roi Lear—Negresse (M. Vogel), 9-0 .... J. Bleasdale (5-2 jt fav) 3
ALSO RAN: 7-2 Argive (4th), 10-1 Floreal Saioula, 12-1 Serenia, 16-1 Clois de Roi, Heather Tracks, Spinky, 20-1 Hignfield Jet, La Brea, 25-1 Saramir. 13 ran.
TOTE: Win, £2.97; places, 65p, 11p, 12p; dual forecast, £1.19 with any other horse. W. Holden, at Newmarket.
Argive finished third, ½ a length behind the second, but was disqualified and placed fourth. Clois de Roi was disqualified from fourth place for failing to weigh in. ...., who finished fifth, ½ a length behind, was promoted to third place.

3.15 (3.20) BIRDFORTH HANDICAP (3-y-o: £2,225: 1m)
Villa Mill, b c, by Porto Bello—Amante (C. H. Newton Jun Ltd), 7-13 .... C. Eccleston (6-1) 1
Serigma, ch f, by Jukebox—Bethlehem (V. Tyrer), 8-5 .... E. Hide (5-1) 2
Longcliffe, br c, by Mandamus—Pepin (W. Newton), 8-13 .... C. Moss (14-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 7-4 fav Lazy Dynamite, 8-1 Ziggy, Come Play With Me, 14-1 Barefoot Days, Moron (4th), 16-1 Yonder He Goes, 20-1 Maysus, Court Amour, Marston. 12 ran.
TOTE: Win, £1.17; places, 32p, 11p, £1.36; dual forecast, 66p. T. Fairhurst, at Middleham. 4l, 2½l.

3.45 (3.59) JUVENILE STAKES (2-y-o maidens: £482: 5f)
Mister Tim, br c, by Saulingo—Silbadora (T. English), 7-6, car 7-7 .... C. Storey (13-1) 1
Frith's Fancy, ch f, by Silicone—Mary's Date (J. Fretwell), 7-5 .... A. Mercer (4-1) 2
Thorganby Tina, b f, by Averof—Irene Louise (Sir J. Eastwood), 7-13 .... G. Duffield (5-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 7-2 fav Jesp, 7-1 Godet (4th), Superb Lady, 8-1 Con-Man, 10-1 Just A Miss, 14-1 Pit Stop, 16-1 Rosy Lad, Viperion, Lady Bluetran, 20-1 Brown Willy, Rose of Lorraine, Miss Bushby. 15 ran.
TOTE: Win, 43p; places, 11p, 27p, 23p; dual forecast, £2.98. W. H. Williams, Ayr. ½l, ½l.

4.15 (4.28) BRITON HANDICAP (Apprentices: £948: 1m)
Disc Jockey, b c, by Tudor Music—Fei-Hoo (N. Angus), 4-8-4 .... T. Major (9-4 fav) 1
Priestcroft Boy, b g, by Chebs Lad—Alfreda (C. Norman), 5-7-8 .... K. Hodgson (14-1) 2
Fear Naught, b f, by Connaught—Brave Huntress (W. Horton), 4-9-1 .... J. Aitken (12-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 3-1 Miss Eliza, 6-1 Bedford Lodge, 8-1 Mahar, 10-1 The Old Pretender, 14-1 Siamad, 25-1 Calaburn (4th), Indianira, Paksao. 11 ran.
TOTE: Win, 43p; places, 11p, 27p, 23p; dual forecast, £2.98. W. H. Williams, Ayr. ½l, ½l.

4.45 (4.53) HAMBLETON STAKES (Div I: 3-y-o: £911: 6f)
Graceful Boy, b c, by Prince de Galles—Only By Chance (G. Patching), 9-0 S. Webster (13-2) 1
Gipsy Prince, ch c, by Sky Gipsy—Orsenigo (Arthur Robinson & Sons "Willenhall" Ltd), 9-0 .... T. Ives (8-1) 2
Mumbo, br g, by Mummy's Pet—Justerina (M. Doran), 9-0 .... P. Kelleher (10-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 11-4 fav Buchanan, 7-2 Lunar Wind, 10-1 Ridanshe, The Shootist, 12-1 Surprise Party, 14-1 Frond, Selborne Lad, 16-1 Emerald Rocket (4th), 20-1 Silver Stud, Kastritsa, Dansky. 14 ran.
TOTE: Win, £1.20; places, 23p, 22p, 69p; dual forecast, £3.85. R. Stubbs at Northallerton. ½l, 1½l. Tina's Gold did not run.

5.15 (5.34) HAMBLETON STAKES (Div II: £909: 6f)
The Sandford, b c, by Sandford Lad—Sovereign's Whistle (Frinbridge "White Hart" Timber Services), 9-7 E. Hide (11-8 fav) 1
Sharp Attitude, ro c, by Sharp Edge—Attitude (B. Bargh), 9-0 .... C. Moss (8-1) 2
Setmark, gr f, by Sharpen Up—Aberside (J. Lane), 9-4 .... T. O'Ryan (9-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 5-1 Marquisette, 8-1 Melody Mom, 25-1 Fashion Club (4th), Migrant, Golden Virginia, Johnny Gent, ..., Robins Chance, Songeman, Welsh Piper, No Sound. 14 ran.
TOTE: Win, 15p; places, 11p, 30p, 72p; dual forecast, 66p. C. Brittain at Newmarket. Silver Vale (33-1) was withdrawn. Rule 4 does not apply.

TOTE DOUBLE: Villa Mill, Disc Jockey, £19.40. TREBLE: Sandione, Mister Tim, Graceful Boy, £9.35 (paid on first leg). JACKPOT: Not won. PLACEPOT: £84.20.

Hexham

2.0 YARRIDGE HURDLE (Div I: Novices : £467 : 2m)

Scimone, 5-12-0 Mr L. Hudson 7
Star Quiet, 5-12-0 .. J. Coogan
Wayward Winifred, 9-12-0 .... Mr J. Gorden 7
Bob, 11-11-4 .... S. Habbits 7
.... B, 6-11-4 .... N. Tinkler
Frozen Ground, 5-11-4 .... D. Holmes 7
Ebbeneese, 5-11-4 P. Murphy 7
King's Oracle, 6-11-4 M. Lowry
Langdale Chase, 5-11-4 R. Collins
.... Lady, 5-11-4 .. —
Velvet Cap II, 7-11-4 .... A. Dickman
Royal Budget, 4-11-3 .... R. Wilding 7
Scotch Henry, 4-11-3 G. Faulkner
Backgammon Boy, 4-10-7 .... N. Balmer 5
Billy Rajan, 4-10-7 .. R. Lamb
Jonathan's Choice, 4-10-7 .... Mr D. Oldham 7
No Sale No Pay, 4-10-7 .... S. Houlker 7
Tito O'Laurence, 4-10-7 .... Mr J. Walton

Scimone, 4-1 Star Quiet, 9-2 Scotch Henry, 5-1 Royal Budget, 8-1 Wayward Winifred, 10-1 Bob, 12-1 ...., 20-1 others.

2.30 HAYDON STEEPLECHASE (Handicap : £839 : 2½m)

No Defence, 9-12-0 .. R. Mangan
Cala Llonga, 7-11-0 M. Lowry
Lothian Brig, 13-10-13 .. —
Golden Express, 9-10-11 .... A. Brown 5
Foreign Field, 8-10-3 .... D. Turnbull 5
0 Erring Burn, 12-10-0 P. Charlton
404 Peapack, 11-10-0 .... R. Lamb

2-1 Cala Llonga, 3-1 No Defence, 4-1 Lothian Brig, 11-2 Golden Express, 8-1 Peapack, 12-1 others.

3.30 TANT PIS STEEPLECHASE (Handicap : £1,080 : 3m)

131 Wagner, 8-10-9 .... Mr Dun 5
p1a Soutra, 10-10-6 .... M. Lowry
4-1f Flap, 9-10-6 .... S. Morshead
Ju0 Roley Hill, 7-10-3 .. R. Mangan
-330 Coparu, 8-10-1 .... M. Barnes
324 Gulvain, 9-10-0 .... D. Turnbull 5
0r0 Frigid Fox, 10-10-0 .... C. Browniess 5
000 Kerman, 14-10-0 .. P. Charlton
344 Marcus Lady, 9-10-0 .. R. Lamb
p0p Donaldolioe, 10-10-0 .. J. Doyle

3-1 Wagner, 7-3 Soutra, 9-2 Flap, 11-2 Roley Hill, 7-1 Gulvain, 10-1 Marcus Lady, Coparu, 16-1 others.

4.0 COL. JOHN McKIE HURDLE (Handicap : £728 : 2½m)

Salt n' Shake, 9-12-7 .... Mr S. Shields 7
010 Gintop, 7-12-4 .. Mr P. Greenall
0 Getta Fella, 4-11-9 .... —
000 His 'n Hers, 4-11-9 .... Miss F. Storey 7
050 Beau Brig, 6-10-12 .... Miss A. Cross 7
402 Hopeful Bloom, 5-10-11 .... Mr E. Collins
140 Cloo's Asp, 6-10-11 Mr R. Page 5
f14- Cobblers Reef, 8-10-9 .... Mr M. Curtin 7
004 Another Captain, 6-10-8 .... Mr J. Walton
100 Yes Yes Yes, 6-10-7 Mr T. Dun 5
314- Stanwick Sovereign, 7-10-6 .... Mr K. Jewitt
-040 Brig, 6-10-4 .. Mr J. Butchard 5
143 Gordon's Lad, 4-10-5 .... Mrs G. Rees 7
14-0 Miss Sara, 5-10-0 .... Mr D. Oldham 7
401 Minimist, 5-10-0 .... Mr W. Hetherington 5
003 Davidson, 7-10-0 Mr L. Hudson 7
403 Carolinian, 5-10-0 Mr H. Bissill 7
p00 Noblero, 7-10-0 Miss B. Sanders 5
000 Flight Lass, 5-10-0 .... Mr J. Skelton 7
00-0 Sun Lord, 10-10-0 Mr J. Sordy 7

4-1 Hopeful Bloom, 9-2 Cloo's Asp, 6-1 Gintop, 7-1 Gordon's Lad, 8-1 Minimist, Davidson, 10-1 Another Captain, 12-1 Yes Yes Yes, 14-1 Carolinian, Stanwick Sovereign, 20-1 others.

4.30 LEAZES STEEPLECHASE (Novices : £700 : 3m)

331 Solo Sam, 6-12-4 .. A. Brown 5
000 Drumeen, 8-11-11 .... Miss B. Oliver 5
010 Mekhala, 6-11-11 .. G. Holmes
233 Prince Maythorn (D), 8-11-11 .... R. Mangan
00p Ballyrobin, 7-11-4 A. Dickman
fu Bar Knocker, 7-11-4 K. McCauley
p00 Gentmere, 7-11-4 Mr T. Dun 5
000 Keyvaca, 6-11-4 .... R. Lamb
uup Protems Choice, 9-11-4 .... S. Kettlewell 7
410 Rockrimmon Road, 9-11-4 .... M. Lowry
130 Think Big, 5-11-2 .... S. Jobar
040 Ben Solomon, 5-10-10 .... D. Turnbull 5
0 Gagies Clench, 5-10-10 R. Barry
000 Glenturk, 8-10-10 .. G. Faulkner

5-2 Solo Sam, 4-1 Think Big, 9-2 Prince Maythorn, 6-1 Mekhala, 8-1 Ballyrobin, 10-1 Drumeen, 12-1 Glenturk, Ben Solomon, 20-1 others.

5.0 YARRIDGE HURDLE (Div II : Novices : £460 : 2m)

5f0u Irish Barger, 6-11-1 .. R. Barry
f33 Kwiradell, 5-11-4 .... R. Lamb
000 Linthorpe, 5-11-4 .... M. Lowry
025 Lukewarm, 5-11-4 .. S. Morshead
Manzil, 6-11-4 .... A. Bowker 5
0f0 Moving Spirit, 6-11-4 .... S. Charlton 5
No Dispute, 5-11-4 R. Earnshaw 7
004 Prima Slip, 5-11-4 .. S. Jobar
0- Round Sixty Three, 5-11-4 .... G. Holmes
0f0u Satan's Serenade, 5-11-4 .. —
0-00 The Parch, 7-11-4 .. S. Coogan
.... Purple Haze, 4-11-3 .... —
320 Milk River, 4-10-7 .. T. Davies
3-12 Mystic Star, 4-10-7 .. J. Doyle
Portal Prince, 4-10-7 N. Tinkler
0 Regal Story, 4-10-7 B. Ellison 5
00 Swopple, 4-10-7 B. Ashbridge 7
000 Varmeter, 4-10-7 Mr D. Oldham 7

11-4 Lukewarm, 100-30 Milk River, 4-1 Mystic Star, 5-1 The Parch, 13-2 Kwiradell, 8-1 Varmeter, 12-1 Purple Haze, 16-1 others.

SELECTIONS: 2.30 Scimone, 3.0 No Defence, 3.30 Wagner, 4.0 Hopeful Bloom, 4.30 Solo Sam, 5.0 Lukewarm.

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2.15 TOM BECKETT CHASE (Handicap : £1,024 : 2m 1f)

113 Tiepolino, 6-12-0 Mr G. Sloan
410 Kings Oak, 8-11-1 .... Mr N. Brookes 7
234 The Sundance Kid, 11-10-12 .... Mr T. Thomson Jones 7
Marshelstown, 8-10-7 .... Mr H. Orde-Powlett 5
03f Brandy Fare, 8-10-7 Mr A. Wilson
0)-0 Flipper, 9-10-7 .. Mr A. Heath 7
003 Jave River, 9-10-7 .... Mr D. Gray 5
102 Ballyhoara Hill, 12-10-7 .... Mr S. Andrews 7
0f3 Le Jot, 6-10-7 .... Mr S. Shilston 7
0up The Norseman, 10-10-7 .... Mr J. Darlington 7
0p0 Flittermere, 7-10-7 .... Mr M. Brisbourne 5
30f Wild Rushes, 8-10-7 .... Mr D. Trow 7
4u-0 My Sunshine, 8-10-7 .... Mr R. Greenway 7

15-8 Tiepolino, 4-1 The Sundance Kid, 9-2 Jave River, 5-1 Ballyhoara Hill, 8-1 Kings Oak, Brandy Fare, 12-1 others.

2.45 OSMASTON HURDLE (4-y-o : £557 : 2m 1f)

100 Captain Poldark, 11-6 .... Mr A. Fowler
0u0 Daventry Scallink, 11-6 A. Webber
014 Princely Call, 11-6 P. Carvill 7
342 Star Music, 11-6 .... R. Goldstein 7
122 Vardes, 11-6 .... P. Hobbs
333 Another Spring, 10-10 C. Tinkler
0 Donway, 10-10 .... B. Smart
031 ...., 10-10 .... D. Graham 5
00 Mister Johnnie, 10-10 P. Barton
n40 Pending, 10-10 .... —
0p0 Regal Rancè, 10-10 .. P. Kelly
000 Sovereign Lane, 10-10 .... L. Watkinson
2p0 Tampion, 10-10 .. N. Holman 5
*Tom Sawyer, 10-10 .... —

11-4 Star Music, 100-30 Vardes, 4-1 Another Spring, 11-2 Frebert, 7-1 Sovereign Lane, 8-1 Mister Johnnie, 11-1 others.

3.15 MIDLANDS GRAND NATIONAL CHASE (Handicap : £3,496 : 4½m)

111 Jer, 7-12-0 .... S. G. Davies 7
011 Goolagong, 8-11-9 .... Mr H. Orde-Powlett
f20 Jimmy Miff, 6-10-12 .... Smith-Eccles
541 Alec Lewis, 8-10-10 .... Mr T. Thomson-Jones 7
00f Burrator, 9-10-9 .. H. J. Evans 7
310 Kick On, 11-10-8 .... R. Hyett
u0r Silkstone, 10-10-6 G. Graham 5
020 The Songwriter, 9-10-4 B. Smart
212 Brown Jock, 10-10-3 R. Davies
101 Monty Python, 6-10-3 .... R. Davies
412 Gypsy Baron, 8-10-1 .... N. Holman 5
035 Frebert, 9-10-1 .. P. Barry 5
122 Red Trump, 9-10-1 A. Webber
201 Happy Ranger, 11-10-0 .... R. Evans
202 Cartwright, 9-10-0 .. J. O'Neill
p00 Herminius, 10-10-0 .. C. Smith
220 Willy What, 9-10-0 .... Mr D. Gray 3
104 Luck, 8-10-0 .... C. Tinkler
200 Lovejoy, 8-10-0 .... D. Atkins
0f0 Moorabinda, 8-10-0 .... —
400 Everything, 7-10-0 .... —
004 Mr Pippins, 8-10-0 .... —

9-2 Jer, 5-1 Cartwright, 11-2 Goolagong, 6-1 Brown Jock, 8-1 Willy What, Burrator, 10-1 The Songwriter, 12-1 Gypsy Baron, 14-1 Happy Ranger, 16-1 Herminius, 20-1 others.

3.50 HANDSACRE CHASE (Handicap : £1,253 : 2½m)

031 Even Melody, 9-12-3 .. D. Atkins
2-40 Casbah, 11-11-3 .. R. F. Davies
000 Aztec Star, 7-11-2 J. Francome
5fb Graigue House, 10-11-3 .... H. J. Evans
400 Brown Admiral, 9-10-7 .... C. Tinkler
p0 Feud, 7-10-5 .... —
p13 Canhe, 9-10-5 .... R. Evans
21p The Alickadoo, 8-10-2 J. O'Neill
104 Malford Grove, 10-10-2 .... J. Barlow 5
3u2 Fox Run, 7-10-0 .... C. Smith
445 Corrib Road, 8-10-0 C. Astbury

5-2 Even Melody, 3-1 The Alickadoo, 4-1 Brown Admiral, 6-1 Malford Grove, Canhe, 10-1 Fox Run, 14-1 Graigue House, 16-1 others.

4.20 BASS WORTHINGTON HURDLE (Handicap : £2,127 : 2m 1f)

200 Monte Ceco, 6-11-10 R. P. Davies
000 Wotoka, 7-11-6 ...... P. Hobbs
300 Colonel Nelson, 7-10-6 A. Webb 5
200 Another Dove, 7-10-6 .... Cecil Price 5
010 Benevolence, 5-10-4 .. N. Clay
430 Roi-des-Toits, 4-10-4 A. Flint 5
030 Nunstar, 5-10-4 .... J. O'Neill
143 Babbling Brook, 6-10-3 .... B. R. Davies
032 Rosie Whisper, 7-10-0 .... —
001 Princes Arcade, 5-10-0 .... R. Evans
213 What-A-Prince, 5-10-0 .... F. Morris 7
010 Loonshlang, 5-10-0 .. R. Hyett
035 China God, 5-10-0 .... Mr J. Cambidge 7
010 Fob, 7-10-0 .... J. Barlow 5
300 Dear Remus, 6-10-0 P. Tuck 7

7-2 Nunstar, 9-2 Roi-des-Toits, 5-1 Babbling Brook, 6-1 Benevolence, 7-1 Another Dove, 8-1 Colonel Nelson, Princess Arcade, 10-1 What-A-Prince, 14-1 others.

4.50 HOLLINGTON CHASE (Div I : novices : £610 : 3¼m)

014 *Lok Yee, 8-11-7 .... —
300 Jacko, 6-11-0 ...... J. Suthern
010 Tudor Prospect, 6-11-0 R. Floyd
304 Carnival Day, 7-10-7 C. Tinkler
310 Con Hurley, 7-10-7 .... Mr G. Sloan
op1 Even Town, 8-10-7 .. A. Hall 7
020 Moray Lodge, 7-10-7 .... G. Graham 5
4 Philcol, 7-10-7 .. R. Hoare 5
f00 Remina, 8-10-7 .. M. Charles 3
340 Silent Comfort, 7-10-7 .... J. O'Neill

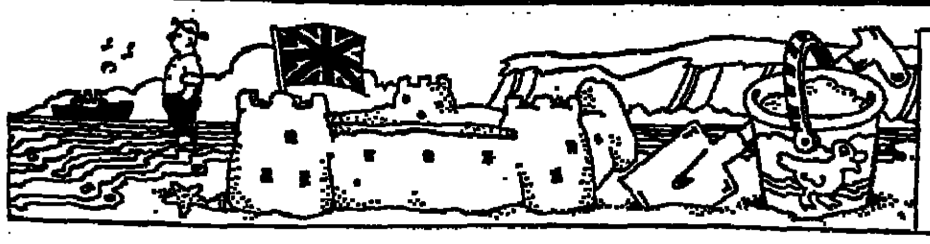
13-8 Carnival Day, 100-30 Con Hurley, 9-2 Jacko, 13-2 Silent Comfort, 12-1 Tudor Prospect, 14-1 others.

5.20 HOLLINGTON CHASE (Div II : novices : £610 : 3¼m)

001 *Forlorn Raid, 7-11-0 .... —
013 New Colonist, 6-11-0 P. Kelly
200 Angel's Nip, 6-10-7 A. Webber
000- Catchgleeson, 10-7 R. F. Davies
0p0 Emma's Fury, 6-10-7 .. —
u3f Law Society, 7-10-7 .... —
p03 Officer Dibble, 6-10-7 R. Rowell
00f Rathowen, 7-10-7 .. A. Webb 5
435 Scort, 8-10-7 .... B. R. Davies

Evens Scort, 4-1 Officer Dibble, 9-2 New Colonist, 8-1 Catchgleeson, 10-1 Rathowen, 12-1 others.
* Doubtful runner.

SELECTIONS: 2.15 Tiepolino, 2.45 Another Spring, 3.15 Goolagong, 3.50 Canhe, 4.20 Nunstar, 4.50 Con Hurley, 5.20 Scort.



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Saturday Review

Voltaire in London

by Norma Perry

May 1726, Voltaire (the
centenary of whose death
ars this year) arrived in
don and made it his home
well over two years. He
been toying for at least a
r with the idea of visiting
gland, which held consider-
attractions for him, not
e because it had produced
notable personality, Henry
John, Viscount Bolingbroke.
will be remembered that
r his dismissal from office
the accession of George I
the subsequent Bill of
inder passed against him,
ngbroke had lived in exile
France from 1714 until
, even though pardoned in
Voltaire met Bolingbroke
722 and was immediately
his feet; during the next
e years he saw the fasci-
g Englishman on several
sions, even spending a few
mic days at La Source, the
e near Orleans which Bol-
roke had bought at the
of his secret marriage to
Marquise de Villette. The
viewed Voltaire with
dedly more detachment,
expressed admiration for
writings and in turn con-
ed his young French friend
firm belief in the validity
he empirical reasoning of
e and Newton. Voltaire
thus eager to see the Eng-
which had produced Bol-
ke and the two great
ers. He possibly longed
more to get to London in
to publish his epic poem,
Henriade, in which he
ained views too unortho-
for publication in France.

his current literary suc-
s and his growing inti-
with the great of the
might well have kept him
nch soil had not fortune
nly turned against him.
story is tragi-comic. Vol-
had for some time been
the name by which we
him, discarding by an
am his family name of
t, in French too comic-
ling for a would-be im-
l. In the early spring of
an unpleasant young
er of a great family, the
lier de Rohan-Chabot,
Voltaire on the stair of
péra and made a sneering
on to the change of
. Voltaire riposted with a
remark about the cheval-
reputation (which threw
redit on his own name)
ne would have thought the
rs even. But Rohan-Cha-
furious, had Voltaire
ed by six of his servants
Voltaire, justifiably
ed, tried to challenge the
lier to a duel. At this
the chevalier's uncle, the
al de Rohan, obtained a
de cachet and had Vol-
consigned to the Bastille
ol his head, and all Paris
med in shock or amuse-
at the idea that a noble-
ould be expected to cross
s with a commoner.
a fortnight, Voltaire was
ed from the Bastille, but
exiled from Paris during
King's pleasure; dropped
is great friends, humil-
indignant, Voltaire was
oo glad to leave France
while.

crossed to London on
May 9 or 10, 1726,
ped with letters of credit,
introductions to the
h ambassador, to Sir
t Walpole and to that
pt Maecenas, Bubb Dod-
t. Bolingbroke, with his
h wife, was back on his
at Dawley, near
dge, claiming to be quite
pt with seclusion, and
ing the company of liter-
iends such as Pope, Swift
Gay; living in Wands-
was Everard Fawkener,
had met Voltaire in the
of 1725 when he was
ing home from Aleppo
he had spent nine years
g in silk for his family's
the great house of Snel-
and Fawkeners. But mis-
e struck again and Vol-
found that the financiers
hom he was to draw his
s of credit had gone
upt, and, moreover, he
ill. "I was without a
", he writes later, "sick
ears of a violent ague, a
ger, alone, helpless, in the
of a city, wherein I was
n to nobody. My Lord
Lady Bolingbroke were in
ountry. I could not make
to see our ambassador in
retched a condition. I had
undergone such dis-



After some miserable weeks, and a secret visit to France in August, Voltaire, still in a sorry state, must have approached Fawkener, perhaps because he was his exact contemporary. The latter, with the affability for which he was always known, took him in and soon had him snug in his own opulent country house at Wandsworth. Voltaire was charmed with his new friend and content for a good three months to live quietly, study English, and lick his wounds. Ever afterwards Voltaire retained the warmest affection for Fawkener, the only Englishman he was ever really able to call a friend, though he condescended to him a little. As far as Voltaire was concerned, his host was simply an affluent young merchant of easy nature and openhanded generosity who lived quietly in a charming house not too far from the hum of the city.

Unfortunately no trace of Fawkener's residence—or its exact locality—remains, but it would have been a place of elegance and taste, given the Englishman's wealth and upbringing. He was a gentleman, something of a scholar, and a charming and well-informed man of parts who was later to become Ambassador to the Porte and then private secretary to the Duke of Cumberland. He can have made no display of his gifts, however, in front of Voltaire, who later said dismissively of him that he knew nothing outside silk, cloth, ancient coins and Homer and Virgil. The Frenchman was impressed simply by Fawkener's generous treatment of him and by the peculiar fact that he was a merchant and yet apparently held in general esteem by those of a higher position. Fawkener, indeed, frequented the Bedford Head, that meeting-place of *literati*, of politicians and of the aristocracy, and knew people such as the Walpoles, the Duke of Newcastle, Lord Harrington, Lord Chesterfield, General Churchill, among others in court or political circles.

The clearly idyllic and restorative summer at Wandsworth ended and the pattern of Voltaire's life changed. Bolingbroke came back to his town-house in Pall Mall, and Voltaire too spent the winter of 1726-27 in town, part of the time in Bolingbroke's company but not, as far as one can tell, as his guest. Perhaps he retained Wandsworth as a base, or perhaps Everard Fawkener was also in town. Voltaire went out and about. He saw something of Lord Chesterfield, though years later the story was told that he refused several of his lordship's invitations to dinner because he could not afford the obligatory "vails"; Chesterfield, hearing this, reputedly put a stop in his house to this practice of enforced tipping of servants. He met Alexander Pope at Bolingbroke's on several occasions and supped with him later at Twickenham, but language was some barrier to their communication. Voltaire admired Pope's genius and pitied his physical disabilities, but feelings on Pope's side do not appear to have been warm. Voltaire seems to have felt that Pope never took him seriously, but in view of what happened later, this was not surprising.

Voltaire also met John Gay in Pall Mall, and impressed him more favourably. Gay was the first to mention Voltaire's arrival in the press (in November, 1726) and he spoke with praise of the *Henriade*; unlike Pope, he had been in France, and could speak the tongue. He showed Voltaire the manuscript of his *Beggar's Opera*, which was produced in 1728, during the Frenchman's visit, and he introduced him to Colley Cibber and to Chetwynd, the prompt at Drury Lane. Chetwynd provided him regularly with the text of the night, so that Voltaire could follow the play, improve his English and enjoy the talents of that "incomparable sweet girl", Mrs Oldfield, whose "voice, shape and all her acting" enchanted him. It was at the Lane, this season and the next, that Voltaire saw, among other productions, *Hamlet*, *Julius Caesar* and *Richard III* and was afterwards moved to describe Shakespeare to the French as a genius, albeit a barbarous genius without refinement of taste or perfection of form. Socially active, but certainly not fêted, Voltaire was, however, introduced at court. The press recorded that the King received "the famous French poet ... very graciously". The following year, after the accession of George II, he was received even more graciously, for he had already solicited the patronage of the French-speaking Queen Caroline when she was Princess of Wales, and now was to dedicate his *Henriade* to her.

After this presumably satisfying winter, in the spring of 1727 Voltaire was back in Wandsworth, and, according to the reminiscences of a Quaker, Edward Higginson, lodging with a "scarlet-dyer" at Halfarthing. But Higginson seems to have written well after the event, and certain wealthy members of the collateral branch of the Fawkeners had been in wool-dyeing there, so Voltaire may still have been with his friend or relations of his. Higginson, then an usher at the Friends' School at Halfarthing, claims to have instructed Voltaire in English and enjoyed many a theological disputation with him. He recounts an amusing tale of receiving one day a visit from Voltaire who had ridden over from Earl Temple's, taking the ferry from Fulham to Putney to check a text from Saint Paul because he had laid a £500 wager on the accuracy of his own knowledge of the scriptures. Duly armed with the appropriate reference, Voltaire won his bet. It may have been through these Wandsworth Friends that Voltaire met the prominent Quaker, Andrew Pitt, supped with him at his house in Hampstead and perhaps attended in his company the Friends' meetings in White Hart Court, Gracechurch Street, near the Monument. And from Andrew Pitt he learnt enough about the Quakers to devote space to them when he came to write the *Lettres philosophiques*.

This 1727 stay in Wandsworth lasted several months, as did the first, but Voltaire was much more active this time. He was in Fulham and Hampstead, but also in Westminster in April, at the funeral of Isaac Newton, and at the end of July in Parson's Green at the house of Lord Peterborough, now his patron. In between, in May, he was at Pope's, in Twickenham, where he met Swift. It may have been then that he made an unfortunate impression on Pope and his mother by talking about Jesuits and buggery as the reason for his ill-health, with a scabrous levity unsuited to the company. Voltaire's relations with Swift, another crony of Bolingbroke's whom he met early that summer, were happier. Voltaire expressed immense admiration for *Gulliver* and Swift wrote a laudatory foreword to the 1728 Dublin edition of Voltaire's *Essay upon Epick Poetry*. There seems to have been genuine friendship here; the fact that after the initial meetings Swift was in Dublin and the friendship conducted by correspondence may have helped.

Later that summer Voltaire appears to have paid a visit to the aging Duchess of Marlborough at Blenheim and got on well until he criticized her projected memoirs as ungrateful and unjust to the memory of Queen Anne. "I thought the man had sense", tartly remarked Sarah, "but I find him at bottom either a fool or a philosopher." He also appears to have been into Suffolk, at Ickworth, to see Lord Harvey (for whose pretty wife he conceived an admiration) and to have gone to the races at Newmarket in October. Bubb Dodington's mansion in Dorset probably also saw him since he is known to have met the poets James Thomson and Edward Young who were house-guests of Dodington's. It was Young who apparently corrected the English of the essay on epic poetry which a reputedly ungrateful and arrogant Voltaire was then engaged in writing, and who, after a lively argument with the irreverent Voltaire about Milton's use of Sin and Death as allegorical figures, composed the epigram on Voltaire which runs:

"Thou'rt so ingenious, profligate and thin
That thou thyself art Milton's Death and Sin."

He also met John Conduit, the husband of Isaac Newton's niece, whose unpublished memoir of their uncle furnished Voltaire and through him all Europe with the famous anecdote of the significant apple.

Whether all these visits were long or short, Voltaire was certainly back in the centre of London by the autumn and there he stayed through the following winter, into 1728. He had completed two essays, the one on epic poetry and another on the civil wars in France, and was principally occupied in arranging for their publication. The essays appeared in early December, 1727, and at the end of March, 1728, he also published his own epic poem on the civil wars, the *Henriade*.

This period is possibly the most interesting to Londoners for he moved about in a very restricted area dealing with printers, booksellers and men of business. The present Trafalgar Square on the west, the City on the east, the Thames on the south and Leicesterfields on the north were his boundaries. The houses and other buildings connected with him have now disappeared, but some of their sites at least are identifiable. He frequented, for instance, a coffee-house called the Rainbow, the haunt of French refugees including the well-known Pierre Desmaiseaux—by now an FRS and Gentleman of His Majesty's Privy Chamber—whose support Voltaire tried to enlist when later he quarrelled with Huguenot printers about the *Henriade*. In the 1720s Saint Martin's Lane still continued southwards to the Strand; east of it, between James Gibbs's newly completed church of St Martins-in-the-Fields and the Strand, lay a network of small courts in one of which, Lancaster Court, stood the Rainbow. Its site is covered by the triangle now formed by Trafalgar Square, Duncannon Street and the Strand, and devotees of Voltaire entering either the Army Recruiting Centre or the Midland Bank on the north side of the Strand can justifiably claim to be standing very near where Voltaire once stood—or sat.

Walking east in front of the Adelphi, one can think of Voltaire again, for here, in the old Durham Yard, he is said to have stayed when ill in the house of John Briasden (business-agent and secretary to Bolingbroke). Crossing over to the north side of the Strand and cutting through to Maiden Lane, one comes to another Voltairean site. During December, 1727, and January, 1728, his address was the White Peruke, the premises of a French *perruquier*, over which Voltaire had lodgings. The house was on the south side of Maiden Lane, very near the present number 9; it was also within a door or two of the Bedford Head Tavern (still on the south side then) frequented by Voltaire and Fawkener, among others. The two sites are roughly between the present Roman Catholic church of Corpus Christi and the Vaudeville theatre, an association of interests which would surely have amused Voltaire.

Maiden Lane was a useful address for Voltaire during this winter and early spring of 1728 because he needed to be near the crumbling old Palace of the Savoy, where the King's printing-press had been set up in 1699 and where many French protestants lived or had their businesses. On the outer face of the Savoy, opposite the present Southampton Street, were several French booksellers, among them the Ship, belonging to the Vaillant family. One of the Vaillant daughters was married to a Nicolas Prévost, the highly respected partner or manager of the Vaillant bookshop, a thriving concern of considerable reputation. The gravestone of Nicolas, his wife, Suzanne, and her parents can still be seen near the entrance to the churchyard of the Chapel Royal of the Savoy. It was Nicolas Prévost and his Huguenot associates, Jean-Pierre Coderc and Samuel Jallasson, whom Voltaire engaged to publish the *Essays* and the *Henriade*. The Ship was very close to the White Peruke, but Voltaire would need to walk up from Maiden Lane to Little Newport Street, by Leicesterfields, to visit Coderc, for the latter had his bookshop there under the sign of Pliny's head. Samuel Jallasson's private address, too, was somewhere in the area, for he was an Elder of the Huguenot church of La Patente in Soho, but his printing-shop was over in the City in Prujean's Court, Old Bailey. Voltaire must have visited these spots on many occasions, and over the months he had sharp quarrels with Prévost and Coderc about their edition, which he claimed was incorrect—and he insisted that they put it right—unlike the one he was having printed at the same time by Woodman and Lyon of Russell Street, another establishment not too far from Maiden Lane. He also quarrelled with Prévost about the money involved in the subscriptions to the *Henriade* (both sides alleged double-dealing) and wrote a note to Desmaiseaux at the Rainbow indignantly asking him to recall the details of the transaction.

Voltaire also lodged, it would seem, in the City, for he later gave as his address that of a French banker, M Cavalier of Billiter Square, near that of Simond and Bénézet, very prosperous Huguenot merchants of Nicholas Lane, Lombard Street, who were "so kind as to consent the book [the *Henriade*] should be delivered at their house". The kind thoughts of Simond and Bénézet seem to have had cause to fade, for ten years later Pierre Simond recounted in an after-dinner conversation with Lord Egmont that he had lent Voltaire £300 which the latter tried to avoid repaying, craftily promising twice the sum on his death (which admittedly Voltaire always believed was imminent).

By April 1728, Voltaire was back with the genial (and possibly long-suffering) Fawkener in Wandsworth, bemoaning his wretched health but as usual working enormously at various literary projects, including what were to be the *Lettres philosophiques*. There is no record of his having been anywhere else but Wandsworth, until the turn of the year when he precipitately crossed to Dieppe—where he lingered until given permission to return to Paris. Why the silence, and what the mystery, of these last months, no one knows. Rumours and suggestions were rife at the time and for long afterwards: accusations (for which we have seen some evidence) of offensive language and behaviour, agressively expressed opinions on religious matters, shady financial dealings, informing on his friends of the opposition to Walpole, a quarrel with his patron, Lord Peterborough. The latest assessment, by an eminent Voltairean, A. M. Rousseau, is that any one or all of these may well have necessitated Voltaire's hasty exit.

But whether he left in disgrace or in dudgeon, the affection Voltaire had formed for England over these two and a half years remained unalloyed. He returned to France confirmed in his belief in Newtonianism and empirical reasoning, ready to turn his mind to the study of science. He deepened in England his contempt for fanaticism: as far as religious toleration was concerned, England would ever after be his touchstone. Because of his friendship with that unusual merchant, Everard Fawkener, to whom he later dedicated his tragedy, *Zaïre*, he left with an inflated idea of the status and qualities of the merchant-class in England, and proposed it to his compatriots as a model.

In the long term, he remained a constant if not uncritical—and sometimes tongue-in-cheek—admirer of England and the English. In the short term, he used the information (and perhaps some misinformation) he acquired in England to sting his fellow-Frenchmen, like a gadfly, into reflecting, by comparisons, on the shortcomings of the French religious, political, scientific, philosophical and literary systems: for the literary fruit of the English visit was the *Lettres philosophiques*, published in French in 1734 and available to English readers the year before as *Letters concerning the English Nation*. As to his reputation with us, with the passing of time his *faux pas* were forgotten, the brash young poet became the great man of the age, and Englishmen came to view him with much greater approval than they had done at the time of his visit. As for Voltaire, the English visit had marked him for life.

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Sunday 23 April 3.00 p.m.	BRUCE EBERLE piano £2.00, £1.50, £1.00, 60p New Era Int. Concerts	Fauré: Barcarolle No. 5 Op. 66; Charles Griffes: Sonata; Virgil Thompson: 2 Etudes; Ravel: Jeux d'eau; Rachmaninov: 2 Etudes Op. 33; 2 Preludes Op. 32. Works by Robert Helps.
Sunday 23 April 7.30 p.m.	SIX OF THE BEST Sheila Lawrence organ Elisabeth Perry Christian Rutherford Jonathan Rutherford	Jonathan Rutherford: "The Killing of the Dragon" (1st perf.); Brahms: Trio in E flat Op. 40 for violin, french horn & piano; Organ solos by Bach & Mozart. £2.50, £2.00, £1.50, £1. Terry Slasberg
Monday 24 April 7.30 p.m.	CHRISTOPH SCHILLER viola SHU-CHING WU piano £2.00, £1.50, £1.00, 60p New Era Int. Concerts	Stamitz: Sonata in B flat major; Britten: Lachrymae, 1 Reflections on a song of Dowland, Op. 48; Haller: Trois Nocturnes (1972); Brahms: Sonata in E flat major Op. 120 No. 2.
Tuesday 25 April 7.30 p.m.	ALFRED DELLER with ROBERT SPENCER lute THE ENGLISH CONSORT OF VIOLS	Songs and consort music by William Byrd; Lute songs with viols by John Dowland; consort music by Deering, Coperario and Ferrabosco. £2.00, £1.50, £1.00, 60p.
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Thursday 27 April 7.30 p.m.	L'ECOLE D'ORPHEE music on baroque instruments £2.00, £1.50, £1.10, 75p	English and Austrian baroque music by Purcell, Orlando Gibbons, Christopher Simpson, Biber, Handel, Muffat, Schmelzer.
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Thursday 4 May 7.30 p.m.	RICHARD HOLMES cello Geoffrey Pratley piano Jane Gray	Brahms: Sonata in F, Op. 99 Britten: Suite No. 1 in G, Op. 72 for unaccompanied cello Chopin: Sonata in G minor, Op. 65 £2.00, £1.50, £1.00, 60p
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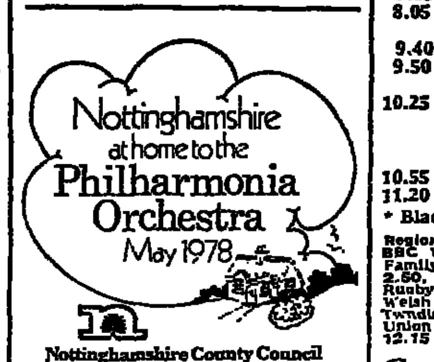
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6.16 pm BBC 1: Rolf on Saturday—OK? is a light-hearted children's show. A change from all the unappreciative brats on Jim'll Fix It.
8.30 pm BBC 1: When Abba won The Eurovision Song Contest it looked as if anodyne fairground music was finished. Sadly the current British entry reverts to the bad old days. **8.50 pm BBC 2: Lively Arts.** Rather than waste time on the contest, tune instead to the repeat of **African Sanctus**, an extraordinary musical exploration from Cairo to Kenya.
10.15 pm ITV: The South Bank Show has Harold Pinter's first television interview for 10 years. **BBC 2 11.00 pm:** . . . while in celluloid Korea the staff of **MASH** are upset by the post from home.
Tomorrow
5.05 pm BBC 1: The Game of the Century The run-up to the World Cup begins with a refreshing look at some of the wider aspects of soccer throughout the world. **5.45 pm BBC 1:** What would the Sunday classic serial be without Patrick Troughton? He has given pleasure to generations of children and continues to do so in **Lorna Doone.**
7.15 pm BBC 2: The World About Us, always good value, looks at giraffes. **8.05 pm BBC 1: Play of the Month is Danton's Death,** Georg Buchner's brilliant drama about the degeneration of the French revolution.
9.30 pm ITV: If it proves too much the **Play for Love is The Ragazza** by David Mercer. Peter Barkworth and Francesca Annis star.
10.25 pm BBC 1: Film 78 contrasts Close Encounters and other jolly science-fiction films of the Seventies with their apocalyptic predecessors.

Philip Venning

FILMS

The Westerns begins this afternoon (BBC 2, 3.00) with **The Badlanders**, the late Delmer Daves's misguided attempt to translate The Asphalt Jungle to old-time Arizona. **The Jayhawkers (tonight, BBC 1, 6.45)** is preferable, with honest farmsteader Jess Parker fighting off outlaws in the chaos of 1850 Kansas. Andrew V. McLaglen's **Shenandoah (tomorrow, BBC 2, 8.05)** has James Stewart and a much better story about an isolationist Virginia farmer unwillingly caught up in the Civil War. On Monday, **Sabata (BBC 1, 9.25)** is an Italian Western, made in Spain, with the monumental Lee Van Cleef as (as usual) the mysterious avenger. British nostalgia starts tonight with **Saints and Sinners (BBC 2, 11.30)** an obscure and forgotten Irish country comedy of 1948.
Tomorrow (BBC 1, 1.55) there's a chance to see the suave 1938 Pygmalion co-directed by Anthony Asquith and Leslie Howard. Howard and Wendy Hiller play Higgins and Eliza, but Wilfrid Lawson, as Doolittle, steals the picture. Victor Saville's **Evergreen Wednesday (BBC 2, 9.30)** was based on an idiotic stage musical. The story doesn't matter: the film has Jessie Matthews at her most charming and Rodgers and Hart songs like "Over My Shoulder" "The World is Lyrical" and "When You've Got a Little Springtime in your Heart".
On Friday there is a second chance to see the dubbed version of Alain Resnais's **Stavisky (BBC 1, 10.46).** Jean-Pierre Belmondo plays the title role in this exploration of the winning swindler of the Thirties. **Morgan the Pirate** (this morning, BBC 1, 10.25) an Italian-French Steve Reeves swashbuckler, and **Earth II** (Wednesday, BBC 1, 6.55) are recommended only for the idlest moments.

David Robinson

SATURDAY TV

BBC 1

8.55 am, Playboard. **9.10,** The Oddball Couple. **9.35,** The Record Breakers. **10.00,** Arlott and Trueman on Cricket. **10.25,** Film: Morgan the Pirate, with Steve Reeves, Valerie Lagrange, Armand Mestral. **11.55,** Charlie Chaplin in Easy Street. **12.30 pm,** Grandstand: 12.35, Football Focus: 1.00, 2.05, 3.05, Swimming, GB v Holland v Italy; 1.25, 1.55, 2.25, 2.55, Racing from Leicester; 1.35, 2.35, 3.05, Embassy World Professional Snooker Championship; 3.50, Rugby, St Helens v Hull Kingston Rovers; 4.40, Final Score. **5.15,** Mickey Mouse Club.
- 5.35 News.
- 5.50 Fish.
- 6.15 Rolf on Saturday—OK?
- 6.45 Film: The Jayhawkers.
- 8.20 News.
- 8.30 Eurovision Song Contest, from Paris.
- 10.45 Match of the Day.
- 11.45 Weather.

Regional variations (BBC 1): BBC WALES: 9.35-10.00 am, Telliffant. SCOTLAND: 4.55-5.15 pm, Scoreboard. 5.45-5.50, Scoreboard. 10.45-11.15, Sportscene. 11.15, Falkirk Folk. NORTHERN IRELAND: 5.05-5.15 pm, Scoreboard. 5.45-5.50, Northern Ireland News.

BBC 2

7.40 am, Open University: The Market Town; 8.05, Atoms and Molecules; 8.30, Argument on Television: 2; 8.55, Popeye; 9.20, Maths; 9.45, What is Truth?; 10.10, Statistics; 10.35, Optical Microscopy; 11.00, Exocrine Secretion; 11.25, Stereochemistry; 11.50, Transmission Lines: 12.15 pm, Television and Politics—Britain (1); 12.40, The Roaring Silence; 1.05, Cadences; 1.30-1.55, Too Busy to Hate. **3.00-4.20,** Film: The Badlanders, with Alan Ladd, Ernest Borgnine. **6.00,** Planets: The History of Mars. **7.00,** Open Door: Young Ukrainian Forum present the People who Couldn't go Home.
- 7.30 News.
- 7.50 Don't quote Me: The Press and Princess Margaret.
- 8.20 Network, from BBC South: Saving Chichester Harbour.
- 8.50 African Sanctus: A journey by the composer/explorer David Fanshawe.
- 9.40 Second City Firsts: The Lady Irene, by Tom Hadaway.
- 10.10 Embassy World Professional Snooker Championship highlights.
- 11.00 M*A*S*H.
- 11.25 News.
- 11.30-1.00 am, Film: Saints and Sinners, with Kieron Moore, Christine Norden.*

London Weekend

8.45 am, Sesame Street. **9.45,** Half Our Show. **10.15,** The Monkees (r). **10.45,** Our Show. **11.30,** Spencer's Pilots. **12.30 pm,** World of Sport. 12.35, On the Ball. 1.00, Professional Cycling: The Paris-Roubaix and The Fleche Walonne. 1.15, News. 1.20, The ITV Six: 1.30, Thirsk; 1.45, Sandown. 2.00, Thirsk; 2.15, Sandown; 2.30, Thirsk; 2.55, Sandown. 3.10, LBC Radio TT Formula One Race. 3.50, Half-time Soccer Round-up. 4.00, Wrestling. 4.50, Results.
- 5.05 News.
- 5.15 Celebrity Squares.
- 6.00 Logan's Run.
- 7.00 Sale of the Century.
- 7.30 Film: Kelly's Heroes (1970), with Clint Eastwood, Telly Savalas.
- 10.00 News.
- 10.15 The South Bank Show: Harold Pinter.
- 11.15 Executive Suite.
- 12.15 am, Stars on Ice.
- 12.45 Epilogue.

(r) Repeat.

ATV

9.05 am, Mum's the Word. **9.30,** Tiswas. **12.30 pm,** London. **5.15,** The Six Million Dollar Man. **6.15,** Celebrity Squares. **7.00,** Oh No! It's Selwyn Froggett. **7.30,** London. **11.15-12.30 am,** Rich Man, Poor Man.

HTV

9.05 am, Build Your Own Boat. **9.30,** ATV. **12.30 pm,** London. **11.15-12.15 am,** Southern. **HTV CYMRU/WALES:** As HTV except: 5.15-5.45 pm, Canolfan. 5.45-6.00, Cartoon.

Anglia

9.10 am, Captain Nemo. **9.30,** ATV. **12.30 pm,** London. **6.00,** Man from Atlantis. **7.00,** London. **11.15,** Southern. **12.00,** At the End of the Day.

Westward

9.00 am, The Lost Islands. **9.25,** The Beatles. **9.50,** Film: Thunderbirds Are Go. **11.30,** Gus Honeybun. **11.35,** Island of Adventure. **12.30 pm,** London. **5.15,** Logan's Run. **6.15,** ATV. **7.00,** London. **11.15,** Film: Terror on a Train, with Glenn Ford, Curt Jurgens.* **12.30 am,** Faith for Life.

Yorkshire

9.00 am, You Can Make It. **9.25,** Muhammad Ali. **9.50,** Film: The Thief of Baghdad. **11.25,** Cartoon. **11.30,** Funky Phantom. **12.00,** Run, Joe, Run. **12.30 pm,** London. **5.15,** Logan's Run. **6.15,** ATV. **7.00,** London. **11.15-12.15 am,** The Outsiders.

Border

9.05 am, Build Your Own Boat. **9.30,** ATV. **12.30 pm,** London. **5.15,** Logan's Run. **6.15,** ATV. **7.00,** London. **11.15-12.15 am,** The Outsiders.

Grampian

9.00 am, Scene on Saturday. **9.25,** Skippy. **9.50,** Spiderman. **10.15,** The Clue Club. **10.45,** Island of Adventure. **11.30,** Space 1999. **12.30 pm,** London. **5.15,** Logan's Run. **6.15,** ATV. **7.00,** London. **11.15,** Southern. **12.15 am,** Reflections.

Tyne Tees

9.05 am, Solo One. **9.35,** Film, The Prisoner of Zenda, with Ronald Colman.* **11.30,** Run Joe run. **12.00,** Adventures of Muhammad Ali. **12.30 pm,** London. **5.15,** Logan's Run. **6.15,** ATV. **7.00,** London. **11.15,** The Protectors. **11.45,** Epilogue.

Southern

8.35 am, Weekend. **8.45,** Sesame Street. **9.45,** Our Show. **10.15,** Happy Days. **11.30,** Weekend. **11.40,** Code R. **12.30 pm,** London. **6.00,** Six Million Dollar Man. **7.00,** London. **11.15,** Within These Walls. **12.15 am,** Southern News. **12.20,** Weather, Epilogue.

Granada

9.30 am, Tiswas. **12.30 pm,** London. **5.15,** Logan's Run. **6.15,** ATV. **7.00,** London. **11.15,** Stars on Ice. **11.45-1.30 am,** Film: Taste the Blood of Dracula; with Christopher Lee.

Scottish

9.00 am, Build Your Own Boat, Programme 4. **9.30,** Tiswas. **12.30 pm,** London. **5.15,** Logan's Run. **6.15,** ATV. **7.00,** London. **11.15-12.15 am,** The Sweeney (r).

Ulster

10.00 am, Film, Treasure of the Golden Condor. **11.30,** Sesame Street. **12.30 pm,** London. **5.15,** Logan's Run. **6.15,** ATV. **7.00,** London. **11.15-12.10 am,** Police Woman.

Channel

12.18 pm, Puffin. **12.30** London. **5.15,** Logan's Run. **6.15,** ATV. **7.00,** London. **11.15,** Film, Terror on a Train. **12.30 am,** Weather.

SUNDAY TV

BBC 1

9.00 am, The Flumps. **9.15,** I See What You Mean. **9.40,** Nai Zindagi Naya Jeevan. **10.10,** Embroidery. **10.25,** Wordpower. **10.50,** Kontakte. **11.15,** Unfair Dismissal. **11.40,** On the Move. **11.50,** Parents and School. **12.15 pm,** Sunday Worship from Holy Trinity Church, Roehampton. **1.00,** Farming. **1.25,** Knitting. **1.50,** News Headlines. **1.55,** Pygmalion, with Leslie Howard, Wendy Hiller.* **3.30,** Tom and Jerry. **3.45,** The Osmonds. **4.15,** The High Chaparral. **5.05,** The Game of the Century: The Superstars.
- 5.35 News.
- 5.45 Lorna Doone.
- 6.40 Songs of Praise from St John's Parish Church, Kirkcaldy, Fife.
- 7.15 Harry Belafonte sings.
- 8.05 Play, Danton's Death, by George Büchnen.
- 9.40 News.
- 9.50 Cross Question: Is the Occult Fact or Faith?
- 10.25 Film 78. From Metropolis to Close Encounters, 50 years of science fiction films.
- 10.55 The British Connexion?
- 11.20 Weather.

* Black and white.

Regional variations (BBC 1): BBC WALES.—1.55-2.20 pm, Ask the Family. 2.20, It Ain't Half Hot Mum. 2.50, Dewch I'r Arid. 3.20, Sport. Rugby, Maesteg v Pontypridd, and Welsh Brewers' Cup. 4.35-5.05, Twndish. 10.25-10.55, Wales Trade Union Council. SCOTLAND.—11.50-12.15 pm, Help Yourself to Health.

BBC 2

7.40 am, Open University: Pearl Harbour; 8.05, Covolent Compounds; 8.30, M101/10 Area Games; 8.55, Participation in Rehousing; 9.20, Systems Management; 9.45, Transistor Operation; 10.10, Pure Maths; 10.35, Nasser 1967; 11.00, Language and Learning; 11.25, OUSA National Conference 1978; 11.50, Mechanics; 12.15, Sulphuric Acid; 12.40, History of Mathematics; 1.05, 1944 and After; 1.30-1.55, The DES. **3.25 pm,** Money Programme: Has the Tide Turned? **4.05,** Arena, Television, When is a Play Not a Play? **4.55,** Men of Ideas: Philosophy and Literature. **5.40,** Rugby, Bristol v Coventry.
- 6.40 News Review.
- 7.15 The World About Us: Africa's Tallest Story, tales about the giraffe.
- 8.05 Film, Shenandoah.
- 9.50 Embassy World Professional Snooker Championship, highlights.
- 10.50 News.
- 10.55-12.00, The Lively Arts. Gates of Heaven: Church and Chapel and the British.

London Weekend

9.05 am, Old House, New Home (r). **9.30,** First Act (r). **10.00,** Morning Worship from the Oxford University Catholic Chaplaincy. **11.00,** Out of Town. **11.30,** Happy Days (r). **12.00,** Weekend World. **1.00 pm,** London Weekend Show. **1.30,** Cartoon. **1.45,** University Challenge. **2.15,** The Big Match. **3.15,** Film: Jacqueline (1957), with Jacqueline Ryan, John Gregson.* **4.45,** Doctor on the Go (r). **5.15,** Reports Action. **5.45,** Come Back Lucy.
- 6.15 News.
- 6.25 When the Saints Go Marching in.
- 6.45 Appeal: St Joseph's Hospice, Liverpool.
- 6.50 Stars on Sunday.
- 7.15 The Muppet Show with Loretta Lynn.
- 7.45 Film: Carry On, Follow That Camel (1967).
- 9.30 A Play for Love: The Regazza, by David Mercer.
- 10.30 News.
- 10.45 London Programme.
- 11.45 The Entertainers: Tony Christie.
- 12.15 am, Epilogue.

(r) Repeat.

ATV

9.05 am, How to Stay Alive. **9.30,** Farming (r). **10.00,** London. **11.00,** Old House, New Home. **11.25,** Captain Nemo. **11.30,** Horses in Our Blood. **12.00,** Weekend World. **1.00 pm,** Space 1999. **2.00,** Star Soccer. **3.00,** Film: The Barefoot Contessa, with Humphrey Bogart, Ava Gardner. **5.15,** London. **7.45,** Film: Nobody Runs Forever, with Rod Taylor, Christopher Plummer, Lilli Palmer. **9.30,** London. **10.45,** Jasper Carrott. **11.15-11.45,** In Concert: Barbara Dickson.

Southern

9.05 am, London. **11.00,** How to Stay Alive. **11.27,** Weather. **11.30,** Farm Progress. **12.00,** ATV. **1.00 pm,** Cartoon. **1.15,** Batman. **1.45,** Westway. **2.5,** London. **3.15,** Film: She, with Ursula Andress. **5.10,** Southern News. **5.15,** London. **7.45,** Film: Ransom for a Dead Man, with Peter Falk. **9.30,** London. **10.45,** Oh No, It's Selwyn Froggitt. **11.15,** Power without Glory. **12.15 am,** Weather. Epilogue.

Granada

9.30 am, Old House, New Home. **10.00,** London. **11.00,** Horses in Our Blood. **11.25,** Cartoon. **11.30,** Out of Work. **12.00,** ATV. **1.00 pm,** Survival. **1.30,** Out of Town. **2.00,** Kick-Off Match. **3.05,** Cartoon. **3.15,** Film: A New Kind of Love, with Joanne Woodward, Paul Newman. **5.15,** London. **7.45,** Film: The FBI Story—Alvin Karpis. **9.30,** London. **10.45,** Film: Enemy Alien. **11.15,** Police Woman. **12.10-12.45 am,** George Hamilton IV.

HTV

9.00 am, Sesame Street. **10.00,** ATV. **11.00,** Southern. **11.30,** ATV. **1.00 pm,** Studio Bowls. **1.30,** Farming. **2.00,** Cartoons. **2.15,** London. **3.15,** Film, Kenneth More and Dana Wynter in Sink the Bismarck!* **5.15,** London. **7.45,** Film, Dingaka, with Stanley Baker, Juliet Prowse, Ken Gampu. **9.30,** London. **10.45,** Music in Camera. **11.15-12.00,** Pro-Celebrity Snooker. **HTV CYMRU/WALES.**—As HTV except: 5.15-5.45 pm, Croeso A Chroeso. 10.45-11.55, Are We Really Going to be Rich? 11.55-12.40 am, Pro-Celebrity Snooker.

Yorkshire

9.00 am, Old House, New Home. **9.25,** Horses in our Blood. **9.50,** Oscar. **10.00,** London. **11.00,** Landscape. **11.30,** Farming. **12.00,** ATV. **1.00 pm,** Calendar Sunday. **1.25,** Cartoon. **1.35,** Emmerdale Farm. **2.30,** Football. **3.30,** Film: The Iron Maiden, with Michael Craig. **5.15,** London. **7.45,** Film: Funeral in Berlin, with Michael Caine. **9.30,** London. **10.45,** Heart to Heart. **11.15-12.15 am,** Power Without Glory.

Anglia

9.05 am, London. **9.30,** Build Your Own Boat. **10.00,** London. **11.00,** Southern. **11.30,** The Beachcombers (r). **12.00,** ATV. **1.00 pm,** Landscape. **1.30,** Weather. **1.35,** Farming. **2.05,** Match of the Week. **3.05,** Cartoon. **3.15,** The Little House on the Prairie. **4.15,** Kenneth McKellar. **5.15,** London. **7.45,** Film Duel with Dennis Weaver. **9.30,** London. **10.45,** Havoc. **11.15,** Russell Harty. **12.15 am,** The Bible for Today.

Westward

9.30 am, Horses in Our Blood. **10.00,** London. **11.00,** Southern. **11.30,** Old House New Home. **12.00,** Weekend World. **1.00 pm,** Betty Boop. **1.15,** Battleground. **1.45,** Farm and Country News. **2.15,** London. **3.15,** Film: Forever and a Day, with Ida Lupino, Charles Laughton, Merle Oberon, Brian Aherne.* **5.15,** London. **7.45,** Granada. **9.30,** London. **10.45,** Devenish. **11.15,** Music at Harewood. **11.40,** Police Woman. **12.35 am,** Faith for Life.

Border

9.05 am, London. **11.00,** Southern. **11.25,** Cartoon. **11.30,** Drive-in. **12.00,** ATV. **1.00 pm,** Inner Space. **1.30,** Farming. **2.00,** Border Diary. **2.05,** Cartoon. **2.15,** London. **3.15,** Film: To Hell and Back, with Audie Murphy, Marshall Thompson. **5.15,** London. **7.45,** Film: The Sownhill Racer, with Robert Redford, Gene Hackman. **9.30,** London. **10.45,** Within These Walls. **11.45-12.15 am,** Lifestyle.

Tyne Tees

9.05 am, London. **11.00,** Southern. **11.25,** Where the Jobs Are. **11.30,** ATV. **1.00 pm,** The Jetsons. **1.30,** Farming. **2.00,** Sporting Chance. **2.30,** Shoot! **3.30,** Cartoon. **3.35,** Film: Cottage to Let, with Leslie Banks, John Mills. **5.15,** London. **7.45,** Film: Funeral in Berlin, with Michael Caine, Eva Renzi. **9.30,** London. **10.45,** Impact. **11.00,** The Streets of San Francisco. **12.00,** Epilogue.

Ulster

11.00 am, Southern. **11.30,** Build Your Own Boat. **12.00,** ATV. **1.00 pm,** Landscape. **1.30,** Big Blue Marble. **1.45,** Garnock Way. **2.15,** London. **3.15,** Havoc. **3.45,** Film: It Started with Eve, with Deanna Durbin, Robert Cummings, Charles Laughton. **5.15,** Sunday Insight. **5.45,** London. **7.45,** ATV. **9.30,** London. **10.45,** Sports Results. **10.50,** Gibbsville. **11.50-12.20 am,** Music at Harewood.

Grampian

10.45 am, Morning Worship. **11.00,** Southern. **11.30,** Build Your Own Boat. **12.00,** ATV. **1.00 pm,** Weatherwide. **1.30,** Farming. **2.00,** Film; Good Neighbour Sam, with Jack Lemmon, Romy Schneider, Dorothy Provine. **4.15,** Scotsport. **5.15,** London. **7.45,** ATV. **9.30,** London. **10.45,** The Many Wives of Patrick. **11.15,** Russell Harty. **12.15 am,** Reflections.

Scottish

9.05 am, London. **10.00,** Cartoon. Last of the Curlews. **10.45,** Tree Top Tales. **11.00,** Southern. **11.25,** Cartoon. **11.30,** Drive In. **12.00,** ATV. **1.00 pm,** Challenge of the Sexes. **1.30,** Farming. **2.00,** Happy Days. **2.30,** Space 1999. **3.30,** Glen Michael cavalcade. **4.15,** Scotsport. **5.15,** London. **6.45,** Appeal: Royal National Institute for the Blind, Scottish Branch. **6.50,** London. **7.45,** Film: The President's Piano is Missing, with Peter Graves, Buddy Ebsen, Arthur Kennedy, Raymond Massey. **9.30,** London. **10.45,** My Vision. **11.10,** Jasper Carrott. **11.40,** Late Call. **11.45-12.15 am,** Music from Harewood.

Channel

2.13 pm, Weather. **2.15,** London. **3.15,** Film: Forever and a Day. **5.15,** London. **6.45,** Appeal: Jasple International. **6.50,** London. **7.45,** Film. **9.30,** London. **10.45,** Devenish. **11.15,** Music at Harewood. **11.40,** Police Woman. **12.35 am,** Epilogue. Weather.

Radio

DAVID WADE

In the way of format, Radio 3's international evenings seem nowadays to be constructed to a stereotype. Before the announcement of last weekend's *Dutch Evening*, I think I could have told you in advance what the components would be: an impressionistic feature of some sort, probably to start; a play, a concert as the evening's pivot; something about the arts—probably painting, this being the land of Rembrandt and some others; a glimpse of political life; maybe an entertainment to round off. And indeed, there they were, all of them, as might have been forecast, standard units in what Radio 3 considers to be the necessities of the thinking man's cultural impedimenta.

Oh yes, time on these occasions is limited, very—but so it seems is the thinking behind them, very, very: I have the impression that by now the devisers of international evenings (and days and weekends too) regard it as essential to the proper working of the world to maintain this format. Sometimes its increasingly numbing repetition has been softened by other elements: Nigel Douglas's genial presentation (Switzerland) or Piers Plowright's production (China). But this is all a bit like saying "What a marvellous dinner! The conversation was so good!"

I am being unfair, but not extremely. There were things to enjoy last Saturday night and Laurie Lee's *Gift from the Sea* was one of them: tremendously atmospheric and pictorial, better than the box; and then there was . . . then there was what? The concert was all right if you go for Diepenbrock and Mahler. The play, *The Dragon of Schokland*, had won some prizes evidently, but I am blessed if I know for what, unless it was brevity. I really wouldn't be insulted if someone were to spell out to me what I was supposed to understand or think or feel about the world from this apparently unsubtly drawn version of an improbable legend. Like my *Listener* colleague, Marghanita Laski, I thought Calman was a flop on the air (as well as on the page of *Radio Times*). From *Art and the Guilder*, I learnt that immense state patronage—drawn to a great extent from the wealth of natural gas—has done little for Dutch painting except anaesthetise it. Possibly you cannot make a scintillating programme about people suffering from fatty degeneration of the creative faculty; or if you can, this one was not it. I was grateful to *Proportions of Democracy* for explaining what the South Moluccans' problems are, but not for a *great deal* else. At the beginning of *Cabaret* with its reedy archive recordings in languages I could neither make out nor understand, my endurance failed. In between times there had been little to relish in the presentation. After the routine glow of British shame at the excellence of yet another European's spoken English, I began to find Sabine Lichtenstein more stein than licht.

Perhaps I should confess: last Saturday I was having the 'flu, so those disheartened by any of the above are free to adjust their ratings. My experience has been, however, that to listen in a state of reduced euphoria merely inhibits a tendency to add silver linings even to quite unpromising clouds. And no amount of 'flu affects the following: that Radio 3's foreign evenings continue, with the rarest exceptions, to do the European Grand Tour as if the world without did not exist. Presumably in due course we shall come round to a rippling cultural banquet in Gibraltar. And then? Off to Africa? My dear man! Back to square one.

Key figures is Radio 4's new Sunday evening 4-part series about "those who nourished the genius of others and made their life-work possible". While slightly uneasy about the likelihood of all its accents, I was immensely attracted by the programme about Dorothy Wordsworth and by Julia Lang's readings in particular. She came across so slight a glowing and passionately devoted. For me the second programme by Hallam Tennyson broke new ground, filling in what lay behind the name of Engels and creating a figure of the greatest vitality, charm and—not always a companion of these two—profound goodness of heart. David Ma[…] conveyed these qualities marvellously well. And Cyril Sh[…] as Marx, only once tripped by sheer weight of misfortune into something less than a warm regard and sympathy for a man who made his work possible. Engels's beloved M[…] died and Marx, overwhelmed with debt, was curt in his expressions of sorrow. Quick to make amends, however, the moment he saw what he had done and how his friend was hurt. If only some of those who follow him today would follow him in that. But for sure, if Marx and Engels could either of them see what has become of work which they had meant to be so humanising and convivial, they would weep? Is it could they bear to look at Ethiopia? Cambodia? The s[…]ing faces of so many twentieth century socialisms?

In *On Location*, Marg[…] Korving has been hiking up and down the land, making and presenting a kind of minor *D[…] Your Way*. There's no mu[…] though; just interviews with selected locals, with readings and small chunks of archive added where appropriate. I cannot say more than: not bad. If you look back to Laurie Lee on Holland and the Dutch, this isn't in that league, nor aspires to be; but I wish it were reminiscent of other less s[…]ulating aspects of the D[…] experience: it has had a slight earnest and duffle-coated so[…]

A play, *Dandolo*, by Anton[…] did nothing to improve the week. This was about the *Fo[…]* Crusade and how it came to sack Constantinople. Historical plays fall into two classes: those written by authors with a well-developed style of their own. Those you are likely to believe. The others can be heard groping for a style (not necessarily archaic) which will "convey the period". These you do not believe. *Dandolo* was class two.

SATURDAY RADIO

1
5.00 am, News: Tom Edwards.† **8.03,** Racing Bulletin. **8.06,** Ed Stewart.† **10.00,** Adrian Juste—Who? **12.00,** Paul Gambaccini. **1.31 pm,** Rock On.† **2.30,** Alan Freeman.† **5.31,** Alexis Korner.† **6.30,** In Concert: Deaf School, Andy Desmond.† **7.30,** Sports Desk. **7.33,** Top Tunes.† **8.15,** Robert Docker.† **8.30,** Eurovision Song Contest.† **10.45,** Peter Wheeler.† **2.00-2.02 am,** News.
† Stereo.

2
5.00 am, Radio 1. **10.02,** Tony Brandon.† **12.02 pm,** Two's Best.† **1.02,** Punch Line. **1.30-5.55,** Sport, including: Football; Cup Tie Cricket; Racing from Sandown; Swimming, Champion Pools International; **5.00,** Sports Report. **6.03,** Pop Over Europe. **7.02,** Windsor Davies Presents. . . . **7.30-2.02 am,** Radio 1.

3
7.55 am, Weather. **8.00,** News. **8.05,** Ravel, Granados, Lalo.† **9.00,** News. **9.05,** Record Review.† **10.15,** Stereo Release: Rubbra.† **11.00,** Vivaldi, Bach.† **12.02 pm,** James Galway.†
12.55, News. **1.00,** Paintings in Close-up: The Second Alexander, by Cocke. **1.15,** Mozart and Berg.† **2.20,** Man of Action: Miron Grindea.† **3.35,** Rossini, Mozart.† **5.00,** Jazz Record Requests.† **5.45,** Critics' Forum. **6.35,** Berne String Quartet; Huber.†
7.05, Ralph Richardson re[…] Blake's poetry. **7.30,** Concert f[…] Leeds, part 1: Wagner, Stran[…] **8.05,** The Human Face of Hist[…] Talk by Philip Hook. **8.20,** C[…]cert, part 2: Mahler.† **9.30,** Re[…]sidering John Stuart Mill. **10**[…] Sounds Interesting.† **11.25,** N[…] **11.30-11.35,** Schubert Song.

4
6.30 am, News. **6.32,** Farming. **6**[…] Yours Faithfully. **6.55,** Weat[…] **7.00,** News. **7.10,** On Your Fa[…] **7.40,** Today's Papers. **7.45,** Yo[…] Faithfully. **7.50,** It's a Barg[…] **7.55,** Weather. **8.00,** News. **8**[…] Sport on 4. **8.40,** Yesterday in […]liament. **8.55,** Conservative P[…] political broadcast. **9.00,** N[…] **9.05,** International Assignm[…] **9.30,** The Week in Westmins[…] **9.55,** News Stand. **10.15,** Serv[…] **10.30,** Pick of the Week. **11**[…] Time for Verse. **11.30,** Sci[…] Now. **12.00,** News. **12.02 pm,** Ja[…] Galway. **12.55,** Weather.
1.00, News. **1.15,** Any Questio[…] **2.00,** War and Peace. **3.00,** N[…] **3.05,** Does He Take Sugar? **3**[…] Radio 3. **5.00,** Kaleidoscope […]core. **5.30,** Week Ending. **5.55,** Weather.
6.00, News. **6.15,** Desert Is[…]discs. **6.50,** Robert Robinson. **7**[…] Christopher Grier, records. **8**[…] Play: The 3.30 Human Race. **9**[…] Weather. **10.00,** News. **10.15,** […] the Town: Paris. **11.00,** Pray[…] **11.15,** News. **12.20-12.23 am,** […] shore forecast.

SUNDAY RADIO

1
6.30 am, News: Sam Costa.† **8.00,** Playground. **8.32,** Ed Stewart.† **10.00,** Peter Powell. **1.00 pm,** Jimmy Savile. **3.00** Anne Nightingale. **5.30,** Quiz Kid. **6.00,** Simon Bates.† **7.02,** Robin Richmond.† **7.30,** Glamorous Nights.† **8.30,** Sunday Half-Hour.† **9.02,** Best Tunes.† **10.02,** Jazz.† **12.00,** News. **12.05 am,** Peter Wheeler.† **2.00-2.02,** News.
† Stereo.

2
6.30 am, Radio 2. **8.08,** Sing Together.† **8.30,** Radio 1. **10.02,** Benny green.† **11.30,** Service. **12.02 pm,** Family Favourites.† **1.30,** Sacha Distel.† **3.02,** David Jacobs.† **4.30,** Charlie Chester.† **5.50,** Move On. **6.00,** Radio 1. **10.02,** Windsor Davies. **10.30,** Punch Line. **11.05,** Softly Sentimental. **12.00,** News. **12.05 am,** Peter Wheeler. **2.00,** News.

3
7.55 am, Weather. **8.00,** News. **8.05,** Horowitz: Barber, Scarlatti, Rachmaninov.† **9.00,** News. **9.05,** Music for St George's Day.† **9.20,** Live from Peking, part 1: Berlioz, and music by Chinese composers.† **10.00,** The New Cultural Revolution, talk by Philip Short. **10.20,** Concert, part 2: Beethoven.† **11.30,** Music Weekly.† **12.20 pm,** Songs for Shakespeare's Birthday: Martin, Stevens, Wilkinson.†
1.00, Words, by Dipak Nandy. **1.05,** Haydn. **1.30,** Talking about Music.† **2.00,** Undine, opera by Lortzing. Act 1.† **2.55,** Talk by John Warrack. **3.10,** Undine, A[…] **3.45,** Reading. **3.55,** Undine, A[…] and 4. **4.50,** Music in Our Ti[…] Reimann, Amy.† **5.50,** […] Antony and Cleopatra; by Sh[…]speare.†
9.00, From the Proms 77, par[…] Purcell.† **9.55,** Judging Administration, talk by Ric[…] McAllister. **10.15,** Concert, par[…] Elgar.† **11.25,** News. **11.30-1**[…] Schubert Song.†

4
7.15 am, Apna Hi Ghar Samajh[…] **7.45,** Bells. **7.50,** Reading. […] Weather. **8.00,** News. **8.10,** Sun[…] Papers. **8.15,** Sunday. **8.50,** App[…] Refresh. **8.55,** Weather. News. **9.10,** Sunday Papers. […] Letter from America. **9.30,** Ser[…] from St Philip's Church, Nort[…] London. **10.15,** Listeners' let[…] **10.30,** Money Box. **11.00,** […] Hitch-Hiker's Guide to the Gal[…] **11.30,** One Man, One Voice: 021[…] 5432. **12.15 pm,** Not Now, I'm […]tening. **12.55,** Weather.
1.00, News. **1.40,** The Spinn[…] **2.00,** Gardeners' Question T[…] **2.30,** Play: Dandolo. **4.00,** N[…] **4.02,** A Bag of Secrets. **4.30,** […] Living World. **5.00,** In Touch. […] With Great Pleasure: Diana […] **5.55,** Weather. **6.00,** News. […] The Archers. **7.15,** Patriotic […] Imperial poetry. **8.00,** Bliss, […]ford, Parry. **9.00,** News. […] Hermsprong. **9.58,** Weather. **1**[…] News. **10.15,** Key Figures: […] literary Godfather—George H[…] Lewes. **11.00,** Epilogue. **1**[…] News. **12.20-12.23 am,** Inshore […]cast.

مطابقة للأصل

A queenly impresario for the repertory theatre movement



The Horniman Season at the Greenwich Theatre has *Arms and the Man* (now on) continuing with *The Achurch Letters* by Don Taylor, *The Golden Cradle*, three one-act plays—*The Shadow of the Glen* by J. M. Synge, *The Rising of the Moon* by Lady Gregory and *Cathleen Ni Houlihan* by W. B. Yeats—followed by *Hindle Wakes* by Stanley Houghton.

Though her names were Annie Elizabeth Fredericka, she was always officially Miss Horniman. Her friends, knowing her passion for cats, preferred "Tabby". Certainly, she would have liked the choice of a cat, elegantly stalking, as symbol of the Greenwich Theatre's Horniman season, one that celebrates the birth, 70 years ago, of the first English "repertoire" theatre, the Gaiety, Manchester.

Miss Horniman called herself "a middle-aged, middle-class, suburban and dissenting spinster". Factually true; yet the facts hardly evoke this determined woman, coolly frugal in bearing, forthright in policy. Of average height and very thin, she dressed in a vaguely medieval style; round her neck a jewelled dragon of oxidized silver at least 5 in across. Through life, without slaying militantly dragonish, she insisted upon women's rights.

In 1907 she reached Manchester, tired of dissension—in Gerard Fay's words—as "fairy godmother to a singularly unmaternal Cinderella", the Abbey Theatre, Dublin. An unexpected force behind two of the most influential stage movements of her day, she had been born at Forest Hill in 1860, granddaughter of the Horniman tea-merchant, a Quaker who prospered by selling his tea in packets instead of loose by the pound. In spite of her upbringing she was intensely rebellious; she enjoyed the theatre, rode a bicycle, even smoked. During the 1880s she went (with little profit) to the Slade, where a fellow-student, finding the back of her head like a cat's, christened her Tabby. She was delighted.

When her grandmother left her a substantial sum, she used part of it in 1894 to finance an unlucky season at the Avenue Theatre, devised by Florence Farr. During this *The Land of Heart's Desire* (Yeats) and *Arms and the Man*—Shaw's earliest showing in the public theatre—shared a double bill; but it was years before Shaw knew his backer's name. In certain ways Miss Horniman resembled him: she could be equally candid and controversial.

An admirer of Yeats, she helped him with his letters. They remained friends; when in 1904 the Irish Players needed a Dublin theatre, she bought and transformed the building that became the Abbey, and (until the end of 1910) subsidized it. "She is a wonder", said her architect. Still, benevolence in Dublin was tightrope walking; she and Lady Gregory were antipathetic; and at last she came home now with an unlooked-for legacy from her father—resolved to start an English "repertoire" theatre unhampered.

Ben Iden Payne, a 26-year-old actor-director who had worked at the Abbey, had similar ideas. He encouraged her to choose Manchester. She would have preferred London, but there had already been the Barker-Vedrenne performances at the Court; moreover, Manchester was a city civilized in the arts and it seemed a good address for a "dramatic artistic venture on honestly commercial lines". Miss Horniman was a business woman, no dreamy philanthropist, and Lancashire respected her. Not a theorist, she simply wanted good drama (musical comedy, a recorder said, "she hated with a concentrated fury"), and she agreed with Payne about a permanent company, strong ensemble playing, work by the best authors of all ages, and "a wide open door to present-day British writers who . . . have something to say worth listening to, and say it in an interesting and original manner".

A short prelude during the autumn of 1907, in an oblong ballroom known as the Midland Hotel Theatre, opened with *David Ballard*, lower middle-class realism by Charles McEvoy; Rostand, Shaw, and Maeterlinck followed. Manchester began to accept its queenly impresario who wore evening gowns of gold brocade, smoked Turkish cigarettes, and said what she meant.

At length she secured the roomy old Gaiety Theatre and had it ferociously scrubbed. For a first play, at Easter, 1908, she accepted Payne's belief in the puritan Shakespeare of William Poel: *Measure for Measure*, surprising choice, entirely rejected the style exemplified in Manchester by Flanagan of the Queen's. In full evening dress and carrying a brown bowler, he would answer a call on behalf of the scenery.

Between the spring and autumn of 1908 the Gaiety was reconstructed without concession to the Theatre Theatrical. No gilt; no flock wallpaper; white as the prevailing colour; neither brass nor drums in the orchestra. The best of the opening night, with a disappointing main play (McEvoy again), was *Basil Dean's curtain-raiser. But* the Gaiety promptly settled down. An astonishing company, able to renew itself without weakening, had at various times across the years such players as Lewis Casson (who would succeed Payne) and Sybil Thorndike, Mona Limerick (Payne's wife), Charles Bibby, Ada King, Herbert Lomas, Milton Rosmer, and the actress known period-fashion as Miss Darragh. Basil Dean went on to fame as a director.

The Gaiety soon found a way. Besides staging the best of contemporary doctrinal and imaginative drama, it created or developed a Pennine chain of writers. Ironically, one of its best plays was not born there: Stanley Houghton's *Hindle Wakes* ("Should Fanny marry Alan?") which the company put on for a London visit in 1912. There had to be kitchen-dresser drama and a few gritty cinder-path pieces, but the programme did range widely and excitingly: here was Shaw's factory of thought, elucidator of social conduct, and prompter of conscience—at an hour, too, when you were likely to meet on a provincial stage some feverish "domestic play of passion, virtue, and honour", or characters called *Carnaby Bloodworth and* Vashti de Marconi.

The 1914 outbreak of war was fatal. Somehow Miss Horniman clung on until the summer of 1917; post-war Manchester was unhelpful, and in 1920 the lease was sold. By then "repertory" in one form or another was established (Liverpool and Barry Jackson's Birmingham adventure at its head), though it could not be on the Gaiety's original model, the retention of a number of plays in repertoire.

From inconspicuous London retirement, Miss Horniman continued to watch the stage closely, and she was appointed a Companion of Honour. In the summer of 1937 she died. Undoubtedly she would have prized the current Greenwich tribute: a season (April-July), with work by Shaw (*Arms and the Man*), Synge, Yeats, Lady Gregory and the pioneering Janet Achurch, a set of Sunday evening lectures and play-readings, and an exhibition. Her response, by the sign of the stalking cat, could well have been that familiar ending to her intimate letters: "Lots of purrs: Tabby."

J. C. Trewin

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ie might almost presume that e English National Opera had anned a short season of excelnt performances in central male roles. The current vival of *Carmen* has now been ined by a *Traviata* with osephine Barstow repeating er remarkable Violetta. This me the supporting cast is tronger, but Miss Barstow still ominates the stage from first o last: she is the only character who lives, and dies, in richness and depth, passing across a canvas of painted figures, however lifelike their features on occasion.

Originally, Miss Barstow was perhaps a surprising choice of Violetta, for it must be said that her voice is not conventionally beautiful. By now, however, she has gained the right to call the role very much her own, and yesterday's first night came merely as confirmation of her prowess in it. In purely vocal terms, she sings Verdi's music with a precision and elegance which more than make up for the occasional harshness or colourlessness of tone. But more than that, she uses her voice as part of her equipment as an actress.

Violetta's loves and fears, not to mention her steady decline, are perfectly captured in Miss Barstow's singing alone, and that without any resort to sentimentality or any neglect of beauty of line. It is almost a bonus that she also looks exactly right in the part, and that her acting is of a quality one encounters all too rarely on the operatic stage.

Playing opposite her, John Brecknock as Alfredo is given a difficult task, but he acquits himself well. Last night, he took some little while to grow into the part, and it was not until the second act that he began to produce a flow of splendid lyrical tone, particularly in his recitatives. His diction was, throughout, astonishingly clear, and this may sometimes have been an impediment to him, simply because the sounds of the English language do not fit Verdi's melodies with any great ease.

The other heroes of the hour are Norman Bailey, singing Alfredo's father, and Mark Elder, who conducts. Mr Bailey gives a performance of admirable strength and sensitivity; his feelings, and the way they are voiced, proceed from a fundamental nobility of spirit. Mr Elder's contribution is to make the drama live as abundantly in the pit as it does in John Copley's production, and in Miss Barstow's matchless Violetta.

The new faith

Comings and Goings
Everyman, Liverpool

Ned Chaillet

Sexual morality plays seem to be the lay faith of Liverpool playwrights. In *Funny Peculiar*, Mike Stott's hero was a prophet of the sexual revolution overwhelmed by the success of his own preaching. In *Comings and Goings* Mr Stott's characters are sardonic believers of the new faith: a runaway wife, a homosexual couple, a woman doctor in search of an orgasm; but even this vanguard finds itself vulnerable to jealousy, boredom and frustration.

Jimmy, the homosexual who was once married but who left his wife because she reminded him of his mother, and who left his mistress because she reminded him of his wife, is the inadvertent host to a parade of Christmas visitors. His lover, Vernon, has invited Jan to stay in the flat because she is leaving her husband.

Hilary and Jackie are flatmates from the floor above who spend most of their time in Jimmy's flat and, of course, Jan's husband tries to reclaim her. A more innocent intruder, Malcolm, is a security adviser come to counsel Vernon, but Hilary, the orgasm-seeking doctor, makes different use of him.

There are two acts in Alan Dossor's production, but the play seems to be made up of three compacted acts, with the second, wildly funny act, broken with an interval. It is an unhappy break, and one of the things that ought to be fixed before the play is seen in London, but it will most certainly be seen in London.

It is crowded with funny lines, lacking the inspired slapstick Mr Stott has provided *before, but it is altogether* more relaxed. The sexual evangelism of *Funny Peculiar* is missing, the traumas and delightful surprises are acted out in a more prosperous neighbourhood, and it is well on its way to being a better play.

There are, not surprisingly, echoes. Malcolm, the erring husband, suffers for his infidelity as the hero of *Funny Peculiar* suffered, with broken bones.

Some of Mr Stott's characters are left at loose ends, though there are two very rich performances, from Philip Donaghy as Jimmy and Paul Jesson as Malcolm, and Hilary Gasson manages to make more of Mr Stott's Hilary than is written. Vernon, unfortunately, is brought on only to prance part of the time while naked, and, as his relationship with Jimmy is the central structural relationship, the relationship which makes for the happy ending, it would be helpful if we knew more about him than that he spent Christmas being unfaithful in Sheffield.

Mind rules heart

Charles Rosen
Queen Elizabeth Hall

Joan Chissell

Schubert's last three sonatas, written only just before he died, are the most extended and highly charged of all his keyboard works. So in playing all three as his sesquicentenary tribute to the composer on Thursday, Charles Rosen neither let himself nor us off lightly. Only because first movement expositions were not repeated did the recital just fit into two hours.

The clue to Mr Rosen's approach came in the opening sentence of his programme note, claiming that the three works ("filled with reminiscences of Beethoven and Hummel, including outright borrowings and imitations") were not the summing up of a lifetime's experience, but a first attempt to produce something on the scale of Beethoven's Op31. It was playing totally different from that of Viennese Schubertians like Walter Klein, with his relaxed ruminative confidences, and Alfred Brendel, acute susceptibility to the music's drama and romance. With firm, incisive fingers Mr Rosen strengthened Schubert's backbone. But partly because his style was so emphatic, and his tone more often cutting than melting, I missed any suggestion of spontaneous discovery and magical sense of wonder.

Mr Rosen's mind ruled his heart. With Schubert it was surely the other way round.

Perhaps because the most overtly Beethovenian of the three, the C minor sonata seemed to suit Mr Rosen best. The challenging opening, and unrelenting urge of the first movement, were splendid: all the necessary second subject repose was achieved without slackening of pulse. The Adagio, not too slow or soulful, brought equally cleverly integrated contrasts of calm and storm. Only the finale disappointed me. Despite strong accentuation, it sounded too patterned, insufficiently demonic.

The A major sonata again found Mr Rosen supremely in control of the rhythm, as indeed of everything else, emphasizing Schubert's structural cunning. In the first movement's coda, however, he allowed himself welcome rhythmic freedom in response to the music's romance. But in spite of increased tension and decibels, the slow movement's climax was not the terrifying experience it can be, nor its immediate aftermath quite as sublime.

In the B flat sonata the first movement lacked an elusive quality of spirituality, particularly in the intimate heart-searchings of the development. But except for speeding an accentuation in the Scherzo and its trio that grew to sound perfunctory, this performance was beautifully paced ,with a deeply laden slow movement.

Schütz Choir/ Norrington
St Bartholomew's

Stanley Sadie

If Verdi's Requiem is sometimes dubbed his best opera, then there could well be arguments for saying the same of Monteverdi's Vespers. That is the work widely reckoned to have brought the dramatic style into sacred music, or at any rate to have consolidated its place there.

On the strength of his reading of the Vespers at St Bartholomew's on Thursday, Roger Norrington may be hinting that such ideas are due for reconsideration. His performance had *dramatic elements, to be sure;* but above all it was marked by its contemplativeness, its restraint, its dark colourings.

He did not use a big choir and orchestra, or the robust rhythms that they predicate in such a score. He had a dozen singers, all of them serving as soloists, and an instrumental ensemble of 17 (the London Baroque Players): strings, using authentic instruments, recorders cornetts, sackbuts, chitarrone and organ.

The ensemble in a church acoustic, produces a sound that is soft and rich, with a blend that does not preclude the distinctness of its individual components. Further, it has an attack that seems to impart a natural spring to the rhythms. Sometimes, for example in the "sonata sopra Sancta Maria", he had them emphasize the accents rather strongly, and phrase in too tidily or rigidly, modern a way; and nothing will make cornetts consistently in tune (though the echo cornett in the "Magnificat" was admirable). That was a small price to pay for the dancing rhythms and the sweetness and warmth of sound.

The members of the Schütz Choir excelled themselves in the solo music. The soloists were not, unfortunately, separately identified by item in the programme; I should have liked to know, for example, which soprano it was who sang with such clarity and style in the "Pulchra es", or which tenor gave so intense an account of the "Audi, coelum".

That movement was one of the several that Mr Norrington took unusually slowly; he did likewise in the "Ave maris stella" and much of the "Magnificat", giving himself the maximum time to relish the dissonances and the sonorities (particularly deep in the "Magnificat", played at lower pitch than usual).

His various kinds of flexibility were well judged; rhythmic flexibility to reflect the changing verbal sense and changing textures; flexibility of forces, for example, to vary the expression in the "Ave maris stella"; even flexibility in the disposition of the choir, which in this acoustic changed the effect to a surprising degree. There was some apt ornamentation, well executed. Altogether a powerfully impressive evening.

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Collecting

The great Wall of Worcester





Left: a rare Worcester (Flight & Barr) documentary cabbage-leaf moulded mask jug, dated 179[illegible] It fetched £5[illegible] at Christie's [illegible] February.

Above: the b[illegible] of the Flight [illegible] Barr mask ju[illegible] showing the marks.

"Dr Wall Worcester": one sees the label everywhere today. Dealers apply it indiscriminately to any piece of porcelain that can possibly be attributed to the Worcester factory, although the porcelain made under Wall's regime was only a fraction of the total production of the factory now known as "Royal Worcester".

Dr John Wall founded the Worcester factory in 1751. He practised medicine in Worcester from 1740 to 1774. A scientific experimenter, he popularized Malvern waters and wrote a tract on lead poisoning caused by drinking cider from lead-glazed vessels. He was also an accomplished artist. In the year the Worcester factory was founded he drew illustrations for R. O. Cambridge's *The Scribbleriad*. A stained glass window he designed is to be seen at Queen's College, Oxford.

Admittedly the "Dr Wall period" at Worcester was that in which the factory's best-known wares were made: underglaze blue transfer-printed wares, "scale blue" and "powder blue", bearing the crescent mark, the square "Chinese fret" mark or, more rarely, the script "W" or crossed swords in imitation of Meissen. But the wares produced in the post-Wall period are now appreciated for their quite different qualities, and fetch increasingly high prices in the saleroom.

Wall died in 1776; but the "Wall period" is generally taken to continue until 1783. In September of that year, the former London agent of the factory, Thomas Flight, bought the concern for his sons, at a cost of £3,000. New, simpler forms were introduced in deference to the neo-classical taste. The crescent mark continued, but was usually smaller than on Dr Wall wares. After George III and Queen Charlotte visited the works in 1788, a crown was added to the crescent and "Royal" to the company's title. The impressed mark "FLIGHT" was also used.

John Flight, one of Thomas's sons, died in 1791, and in 1792 his brother Joseph brought Martin Barr into the partnership. It was two years after this that the "documentary" jug illustrated was made. It is very much a late eighteenth-century piece. The decoration is much sparser than it would have been in Dr Wall's time; but the moulded leaves and the mask spout are ceramic conventions familiar from the early eighteenth century. It has marked, in script, "Flight & Barr, Worcester (sic) 1794", with a crown. This piece fetched £500 at Christie's in February.

Other marks used at this period were the initials "F & B", and the incised initial "B" with or without a small cross, on pieces between 1792 and 1807. In 1807 Martin Barr's son was taken into the partnership under the style "Barr, Flight & Barr". Marks of the next six years were of these names or the initials "B.F.B.". When Martin Barr, senior, died in November, 1813, the firm became Flight, Barr & Barr. The standard impressed mark was "FBB", under a crown. In 1840 the two firms of Flight Barr & Barr and Messrs Chamberlain were combined and continued as Chamberlain & Co.

The most painstaking researcher into the Flight and Barr partnerships at Worcester has been Mr Geoffrey Godden the Worthing antique dealer. In his book *British Pottery and Porcelain 1780-1850* (Arthur Barker, 1963) he listed the main Worcester artists of this period and their specialities:

Samuel Astles: flowers.
Thomas Baxter: figure subject c1814-16 and c1819.
John Barker: shells, etc.
William Billingsley: flowers for a short period, c1808.
Robert Brewer: landscapes.
Solomon Cole: figure subjects.
George Davis: exotic birds, etc.
William Doe: figures, feathers, landscapes, etc.
Thomas Lowe: figures.
John Pennington: figure subjects, generally in monochrome.
William Richards: flowers.
Charles Stinton: flowers.
Moses Webster: flowers and figure subjects.
William Woods: figure subjects.

This list reminds one of some of the main categories of Flight/Barr wares: the pot-pourri vases and grand services of immaculately white porcelain (was there ever whiter?) exquisitely painted with feathers, shells or English scenes, in the fastidious detail of a miniaturist. If I could have, for my own use, any tea-cum-coffee service made by any English factory at any time it would be the Worcester service bat-printed with shells by Barr, Flight & Barr. (Bat printing was the transference of designs from engraved copper-plates in which a bat of gelatine took the place of transfer tissue.)

One of the artists listed by Godden, Solomon Code, left an informative account of the Worcester works and artists during the Flight, Barr and Barr period. Originally published by Chaffers in his nineteenth-century *Marks and Monograms* book, the acount is reprinted by Godden. "The painting-room", Cole wrote, "was a hundred feet long. There were several peculiarities connected with the manufactory of Mesrs Flight, Barr & Barr, one of which was that of paying the painters by TIME and not by the PIECE. This plan was wholly confined to them and they adopted it to secure the greatest possible degree of excellence in all that they produced. Their business too was strictly of a private character; their orders came from the nobility and most of the distinguished families of the United Kingdom; they kept no traveller, nor did they transact business with retail houses."

Cole recorded that Martin and George Barr would go round the painting-room twice a day, and say to the painters engaged on the richest services: "We want you to consider this as jewelry—we wish you to take all possible pains." This was especially the case when a dessert service was being executed for King William IV, "a plate of which service, that was retained by the manufacturers as an example of their productions, has since realized by auction no less a sum than £34." No women were employed as painters: "None were ever employed there except as burnishers; and this branch of the manufacture is particularly suitable to them." On each plate of the very rich services, the names of the firm and the subjects of figure pieces and views were written with a pen in gold and colours by Joseph Cotterell. John Bly, from Lowestoft, "excelled in shading the gold in arms or wherever it occurred...".

Another valuable source is the diary of John Flight (son of Thomas), which was printed for the first time in an article by Geoffrey Wills in *The Connoisseur* of June, 1947. The diary, bound in calf, had been kept in a locked iron casket since the eighteenth century, and the family had preserved with some pieces of Worcester made for Thomas Flight and bearing his initials.

The diary covers the period from December 1785 to February 1791, a few months before John Flight's death. In 1787 he went to Cornwall, probably to visit china-clay pits. He worked in the [illegible] warehouse of the factor[illegible] was present in Worces[illegible] September, 1788, whe[illegible] royal family visited th[illegible] tory.

"The Royal Family had little while at Cheltenham the King went for the ben[illegible] the Waters, and as the Meeting was at Worcester [illegible] of it was so fixed that they be there. The King being Curious Mechanical Turn a[illegible] of seeing Manufactories [illegible] Sorts, we hoped he migh[illegible] Ours, but it was a matter much uncertainty that I d[illegible] like to mention my hope f[illegible] of a disappointment. The [illegible] Meeting was the 6, 7, & [illegible] August; the 5th the Royal [illegible] (the King, Queen and thre[illegible] cesses) arrived at Worceste[illegible] took up their Residence [illegible] Bishop's Palace, the same d[illegible] Brother had moved and oper[illegible] new Shop. The next, in the noon, the Sovereign and his honoured us with a visit, [illegible] unexpectedly, and came in [illegible] any form as a Common [illegible] would, attended by Ladies court, Pembroke and Courto[illegible] They behaved exceedingly [illegible] liar and affable, ordered a [illegible] deal of China."

In June, 1789, the e[illegible] French Revolution, John [illegible] visited France and cont[illegible] with the Angoulême f[illegible] that they would supply T[illegible] exclusively with their [illegible] providing he took 50,000 a year and ordered fro[illegible] other French factory. Flight died in July, 179[illegible] was only 25 years old.

Bevis Hi[illegible]

Good Food Guide

A taste of the new world

Among the people hugging themselves at the arrival of £150 return fares to the United States are the operators of the new-wave American restaurants in London. After all, if you can get to and fro with so little trouble and expense (relative, that is, to the price of flying to Edinburgh) American visitors can perhaps be expected to behave as though they had never left home, and look round for chilli con carne or Chicago pizza, perhaps with a cocktail to tickle the appetite first. And Britons contemplating a flight in the reverse direction may wish to do their junk-food homework beforehand—or perhaps instead, since some of the food purveyed in the places with jazzy or transatlantic names is sufficient to put the eater off the brave New World for good.

As so often, the more money and attention that are spent on the decor of these places, the less apparent devotion goes into the cooking. Peppermint Park, for instance, makes clever and inviting use of irregular single-storey space, with mirrors, a wiggly-snake long bar, chrome pillars and green plush banquettes. Joe Allen's basement has pop-painterly brick walls and old movie posters. But there will be no culinary Oscars for Peppermint Park's hot stuffed pepper or knickerbocker glory, nor any prizes for guessing the size of Joe Allen's yearly order for garlic powder, hickory smoke powder and other synthetics.

In the Chicago Pizza Pie Factory (just off Pall Mall and no more indigestible than most club dining-rooms) as much effort seems to have gone into the PR as into anything else: the owner Bob Payton's years with J. Walter Thompson were not spent in vain. And since he is also on record with the remark that "a village idiot could make one of our pizzas in ten minutes", it does not seem unsporting to be critical of £3.25 spent on a cheese and sausage pizza for two, with a few anchovies extra for 50p. As the eater reports, "a lot of dough and Mozzarella in a deep dish, weighed down by tinned tomatoes that tasted bitter and watery because they had not been cooked down into a sauce, do not amount to a meal experience." Nor have Mr Payton and his rival American restaurateurs managed to persuade their ice-cream suppliers that nuts develop "off" flavours almost as quickly as cream.

There is a certain chauvinist pleasure in opining that the better American restaurants in London—and there are a few—are not run by Americans, whoever their behind-the-scenes angels may be. Martin Plummer, for instance, seems to have been his own angel. The modest endowment of his Covent Garden restaurant, Plummers, has given it a low-key elegance, with flowers and some heavy Victorian mirrors, that feels welcoming, and would accord well enough with most kinds of food.

Here it is what you might expect of an Englishman who has spent some time the other side of the Atlantic: spare ribs, chilli, charcoal-grilled chops, garlic bread, cheesecake and so on. The spare ribs, when tried, were a pity, and the chilli not very fiery, but meaty and genuine. The bread was crisp and golden, the veal chop tasty and quite generous for £1.95, the vegetables not overcooked, the crumb-based cheesecake rich, and the coffee fresh. A dearish bottle of wine—say their Ch. Tourteran '71—might bring the price of three courses for two to about £15, but it could easily be much less.

Wolfe's too, in spite of the Park Lane address and *mise en scène*, is reasonable—as one visitor observes: "If you stuck to a normalburger and a glass of beer you would be decently fed for £3 a head including tip." Stronger drinks—and coffee— should be avoided by the economically-minded. But the good-quality meat used for the hamburgers justified the confidence with which the owners quote Ruskin on their menu: "There is hardly anything in the world that some man cannot make a little worse and sell a little cheaper, and the people who consider price only are this man's lawful prey." The potato pancakes are also worth ordering—"huge, thin, flat ones, with grated potato in a crisply fried batter"—and the waitress service is relaxed yet efficient. The place should also appeal to those whose ears are too sensitive for the Hard Rock Cafe round the corner.

Still in the Americas, but not of them, are the people who are trying to give a Mexican flavour to After Dark, on the far side of the Panama—or rather the Grand Union—Canal in Upper Street, Islington. Mexican cooking is unreliable even on its home ground, and has generally proved worse than that by the time it has arrived in London. Even here, ominously, a second visit proved disappointing, and excuses were made for the owner's preoccupation elsewhere. But she has got the setting right, with a faded brick floor, dark wood stalls and a rocky pool with goldfish and masses of plants.

They get the guacamole right too, however horrified a Central American might be at the price Londoners have to pay for avocados, for it was "lemony and fresh-tasting, as if real chillies were in it (but not too many)".

The unfathomable sauce for ternera en salsa verde (£2.95) also had this good fresh taste in spite of the porridgy colour, and for this the overcooked cauliflower, dried-out pork with enchiladas, and fairly lamentable puddings were almost forgivable. Besides, the coffee was excellent, the service amiable, and the margaritas (tequila, Cointreau and lime juice, the rim of the glass dipped in lime juice and salt) properly shaken in a 1930s cocktail shaker. Indeed, the range of cocktails far outnumbers the wines: they would probably do you. that O level set text, Tequila Mockingbird if you asked. "Loud poppish music" is played.

Back in Covent Garden yet again, Tango has a fine airy setting, white paint and good Argentine prints and posters. But gaucho authenticity not go much deeper, by [illegible] med accounts of under[illegible] empanadas and morcilla [illegible] sausage), soggy pastry chips, and misinter[illegible] sweets: "dulce de lech[illegible] runny and tasted of evap[illegible] milk; queso y dulce ne[illegible] blander, softer cheese." [illegible] tina also sells more wine[illegible] you would guess from th[illegible] listed here, at £3.80—"[illegible] least they weren't the kin[illegible] Argentinians dilute with water at meal times." Ma[illegible] had been overboiled [illegible] espresso coffee was better[illegible]

Details:

Chicago Pizza Pie Factor[illegible] Crown Passage, Pall Mall, Tel. 01-930 1809. Closed S[illegible] Open noon-11.30 p.m. A la [illegible] meal with wine, about £4[illegible]

Plummers, 10a James [illegible] WC2. Tel. 01-240 2534. [illegible] Sunday. Open noon-mi[illegible] A la carte meal with wine [illegible] £6.55.

Wolfe's, 34 Park Lane [illegible] Tel. 01-499 6897. Open [illegible] am-midnight. A la carte [illegible] with wine, about £5.50.

After Dark, 145 Upper [illegible] N1. Tel. 01-226 4218. [illegible] lunch. A la carte meal [illegible] wine about £6.70.

Tango, 38 Long Acre, [illegible] Tel. 01-836 7639. Closed S[illegible] Meals 11 am-11.45 pm. [illegible] carte meal with wine ab[illegible]

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Travel

Make memories at Montenegro



The fortified fishing village of Sveti Stefan, now a holiday complex.

enturies ago the small building had been a h whose congregation wor- ld to the accompaniment sea, washing and foam- nd surging round the below its tiny windows. walls seemed to grow the steep cliffside itself, evidence of faith. But the ng fell into disuse and air until about 50 years when it was cleaned out restored for different Now it is a most attrac- staurant, just a few yards the Hotel Excelsior, in ownik.

walls are hung with the liments of farming and Wooden tables bear ace mats, and candles to the right degree of ed lighting. At one end large charcoal grill on the cook places the meat ish, as it is ordered. The ns are more than gene- the service friendly and ent. Our meal for two— d meats with vegetables alads, followed by choco- pancakes, and coffee— to less than £8.50, that also including two ines and a flask of red

side the church building, ace has been constructed, oking the sea, for ertime use. An excellent that "taverna", and a welcome alternative to the 's regular dining room, h open to non-resident's.

I have a complaint about ular hotels, it is that their g rooms are large and what spartan—at least, I used during my travels d the south. The food and e are of the standard one expect to receive in any "package holiday" hotel. have no complaints on core. But I prefer to eat roundings which encour- e to linger over a meal with only one exception, of the dining rooms fell that category. Of course are large hotels and, as face the problem of cater- many people at set times day. However, lower ceil- prettier lighting and a little colour could work es.

the hotels I saw, all re- l heavy bookings for the summer, especially from . The fact that their rates been maintained at 1977 is a great encouragement. ot believe British visitors are any serious cause for int, although the danger booking is one that can- e disregarded. In this r, however, Yugoslavia is r bet than the popular s of Spain.

disappointment of the as that I was not able to the hotel village of Stefan—far and away the unusual and luxurious lishment along this coast of negro. A fortified fishing n a tiny island, con- by a causeway to the nd at Milocer, each cottage has been con- into an apartment. The is a delight, although ive. (Two weeks there in mmer costs £314 per per- alf board, including the return flight from Britain. This compares with £228 for two weeks at Excelsior in Dubrovnik, or £178 for two weeks at the International in Budva, for example.)

Although it is undeniably a fascinating town, the resort of Ulcinj somehow did not "click" with me. It is the southernmost town of the Yugoslav coast and boasts a beach of coarse dark sand well over seven miles long. It also reflects strongly the oriental and Muslim tradition and influence of this region, being one of Yugoslavia's "Turkish" towns. It has all the historical and geographical ingredients to make it an interesting base for a holiday, including a number of modern hotels along that aforementioned beach. But the town, picturesque though it was, did not impress me as I thought it should. Doubtless the fault was mine.

What did impress me was the journey I made, in company with the region's President, along a little used road which ran inland from the town and high into the foothills overlooking lake Skadar. We came at last to the point where the road hairpinned back and down towards the lake shore, but a huge rampart of rubble prevented further progress towards Albania. Beyond the obstruction, a handful of yards away, was the blue painted Yugoslav border post with a solitary soldier who waved his greeting. Beyond him, a grey hut from which his Albanian counterpart surveyed us through field glasses. The road originally ran into that country and to the lakeside town of Shkoder. But the border at this point is also a barricade.

We retraced our route and then took a back road which took us north and eventually to the coast again at Bar. A badly surfaced road—like that to the border point—but compensation for this was provided by the scenery through which we journeyed. Tumbling streams and rivers, grey green water fresh from the mountains, poured between rocks and beneath old stone bridges en route to the sea. Groves of olive trees, twisted with the burden of their years, lined long stretches of the route. And everywhere men and women paused in their field work to nod or wave a greeting.

The women were particularly impressive, wearing long skirts and bright coloured costume, and when we stopped at one huddle of houses to seek directions I was interested to hear that the schoolchildren were speaking Albanian, that language being no respecter of frontiers.

All indications are that Yugoslavia will enjoy considerable popularity this year, as I have mentioned, and I particularly commend Montenegro to you, especially if you hire a car and travel, as I did, inland from the coast where most visitors congregate.

If you fly into Dubrovnik, be prepared for a degree of chaos at the airport which is undergoing "improvements". The building work is only responsible for part of the problem, the remaining blame having to be taken by those who administer the airport. Being called for a flight and having to queue for 20 minutes before one man arrives to carry out a security check is not my idea of efficiency. But then, the present chaos at Heathrow's Terminal Two is also inexcusable, including the crazy decision to withhold luggage trollies from arriving passengers until flight numbers are displayed above the luggage carousels. The resulting rush is a cross between a soapbox derby and the start of a grand prix, with dignity thrown to the winds and passengers providing amusement for the porters and trolley dispensers who make no attempt to conceal that amusement. Like so many other places, Heathrow seems increasingly to be run for the benefit of its staff rather than its passengers.

But I shall not let that thought spoil my memory of a fine time in Montenegro.

General information about Yugoslavia may be had from the National Tourist Office at 143 Regent Street, London, W1R 8AE. A number of tour companies offer holidays there, including the specialist operator Yugotours of 150 Regent Street, London, W1R 5FA.

John Carter

Gardening

Tricks of the trade



Years ago it was fairly simple and not all that expensive to maintain an attractive town garden. The main problem with an old town garden—and some of them are very old—is that the soil is dead and worn out, lacking in humus and plant food generally. It is probably also acid, which is reasonably satisfactory for producing good grass but it can bring problems for other plants.

In the old days too fresh horse manure was easily come by and this dug in, with say 2oz of superphosphate to the square yard certainly stimulated the production of the beneficial soil bacteria, as I have seen many times in London gardens.

In the old days too there were firms who would for a very reasonable fee remove worn out old soil and replace it with good rich fertile soil. There are firms, no doubt, that will do so today. But the soil usually has to be bagged up and carried through the house and all this costs a lot of money with gardeners' wages being what they are, to say nothing of the astronomical cost of the waiting time of lorries.

But there are a few tricks that we can turn to in our effort to avoid the expense of resoiling, although not even they are all that cheap. However, they are at least effective.

First I would give up trying to keep the soil in beds and borders in good heart. Better to pave the areas over with paving blocks, of which there are many designs now available, leaving a few holes here and there to be filled with low growing attractive plants.

Then over a period of time acquire some containers that are attractive in their own right. There are plenty of these. The real old stone urns, old stone sinks, lead cisterns and other containers are collectors' pieces now, but there are very good reproductions of these stone and lead containers—so good in fact that after they have weathered for a few months you would not know that they are reproductions.

Even these are not cheap, so you may have to go for the mass produced plastic or concrete containers. If cunningly planted so that there are some plants standing up and several trailers hanging down for camouflage, the concrete or plastic can look very attractive.

You need very little growing compost to fill these containers, and the mix, whether it is a John Innes potting compost or one of the peat based composts comes in bags light enough for you to bring home in the car and carry through the house.

Fed throughout the summer with a suitable soluble fertilizer the compost will sustain the summer flowers and may then be planted in autumn with bulbs or spring flowers. Indeed suitably fed, these composts may be used for several years for summer and spring bedding.

Of course, the large receptacles—barrels cut in half or wooden tubs—will accommodate camellias, bay trees, hydrangeas, even climbing roses, honeysuckle, a clematis or even a vine for many years. It is still possible to buy wooden casks—usually sherry or other wine casks, but you have to shop around for these and I suppose that eventually all such liquids will be transported in plastic or aluminium containers. Even 10 years ago you could buy large glass carboys for half a crown, now they are practically antiques and cost £10.

Modern technology has helped, however, in many ways to make our gardening easier—especially in small town gardens, on terraces or in patios.

The Gro-bags have really revolutionized the growing of tomatoes, cucumbers or melons in a greenhouse or even outdoors in a balcony and indeed many other plants may be grown in these bags filled with a peat based growing mix. You can, for example plant tomatoes, runner beans or other plants in them and round the edge plant trailing or low growing plants like petunias and lobelia to hide the bags. The effect is charming.

Auriol Limited, Passfield, Liphook, Hampshire, also make square meshed plasticized panels which may be fixed to a wall or fence and on to these are clipped plastic covered wire rings, which are sufficiently malleable to be opened or closed to hold a flower pot from three to six or seven inches in diameter. With this equipment you can clothe a wall or fence with pot plants and turn a drab eyesore into a charming feature.

Their products are to be found in most good garden shops, but the firm will be pleased to send literature about all their products.

This year well over 300 gardens will be open for the Gardeners Sunday Organization on behalf of the two gardeners' charities, 46 of them for the first time. One of them by kind permission of the Queen is the garden at Frogmore, Windsor Castle, which will be open from 11 am to 7 pm on Wednesday, May 31.

The booklet *Gardens to Visit* with details of all these gardens is obtainable from bookshops and bookstalls, price 25p, or direct from the Organizer, White Witches, Claygate Road, Dorking, Surrey, price 30p including postage, stamps, a postal order or a cheque.

If you are interested in the 200-odd chemicals available for garden use—fungicides, pesticides and weedkillers—you would find the *Directory of Garden Chemicals*, issued by the British Agrochemicals Association, Alembic House, 93 Albert Embankment, London SE1 7TV, price 50p, postage paid, exceedingly useful.

All the chemicals listed have been cleared for garden use by the Pesticides Safety Precautions Scheme. The booklet lists all the chemical names of the various herbicides (weedkillers), insecticides, fungicides and other pesticides and in another section gives the trade names and the manufacturers of these chemicals.

Thus if, for example, one hears or reads that, say, diazinon is an excellent soil pest killer the booklet tells you that it is sold by Fisons as their Combat soil insecticide—and so on.

Roy Hay

Chess

A grave matter

looking for a rather Georgian (from the and not from the USA), bly one with a good knowledge of English, German and Yiddish, parents happened to een in Prague when he rn there in the spring . The reasons for these ations will soon become me and I have asked for rgian in view of the longevity of that remark- ople. After all, by con- with all those Georgians et and spoke with Napo- then they were lads my lar Georgian would be d now as merely aged, or, as the French so tactfully, "of a certain

ould also be a help if said Georgian were ted in chess and I have r less assumed that to case from the popularity game in a country that duced so many famous layers ranging in quality eem from Stalin to the woman world champion, Gaprindashvili.

y Georgian is at all a enthusiast then he will le to solve the vexed n as to when Wilhelm was born. In my *pedia of Chess* it is that the founder of chess was born in on May 17, 1836, and the date Steinitz himself ve his birth.

a reader has written to inting out that on his ine the date of his birth as May 14, 1836, and closed a photograph of tombstone from the *Chess Review*. He nd was buried in New the authenticated date of eath being August 12, 1900, years and five days the birth of another significant figure in chess, Mikhail Bor-

I am not one of those so convinced that any from America must rily be wrong; but I oint out that Dr Samuel once remarked "In y inscriptions a man is on oath". On consulting L. Bachmann's classical olumie work on Schach- Steinitz I find he gives te of birth as May 18, Bachmann was a life-long nd of Steinitz and his work resulted from a conversation he had with him about a memorial book four years before Steinitz's death.

If the tombstone date is right then it is possible that Steinitz himself gave two incorrect dates for his birth. In the *Deutsche-sonschach* for 1892 a certain Dr Hermann Neustadtl is quoted as having said that May 14 is the date given in the registration office of the Jewish City Hall in Prague. Jeremy Gaige, the compiler of an excellent *Catalog of Chessplayers and Problemists*, gives my encyclopedia date with an asterisk to show that the matter is disputed.

Does it matter? Only perhaps to encyclopedists and to readers of encyclopedias, but Wilhelm Steinitz is so outstanding a figure in the history of world chess that one would like to have every little circumstance of his life right. Indeed, it is possible that the time is ripe for a fresh consideration and appreciation of the role he played in founding modern chess. After all, inasmuch as he was the first person to realize the importance of the idea of a world chess championship and so claimed the title after beating Anderssen in a match in 1866 by 8—6, he is also the father of the whole apparatus that we now have for winning the title.

Though a prolific writer on the game his influence on the evolution of chess theory is more marked in his games than in his writings. It is in his games that we see such modern conceptions as the use of a closed, or semi-closed centre in order to embark successfully on a flank attack, the early employment of the King in the game and the notion of what others after him were to call the small but elastic centre.

Any biographer of Steinitz who wishes to give a critical appreciation of his play must beware of falling into the trap of considering Steinitz as a logical whole throughout his career. The early Steinitz was in no way an innovator but just a brilliant player. He would have looked down on the later Steinitz just as much as the later Steinitz would have despised the earlier one.

There is scope too for a fresh biography of that dramatic and trouble-charged life. This would show how he came to England as a young man and learnt to write in a strong and vivid style that few if any of our present-day chess-writers could emulate. Then how he passed many years making enemies almost every week and how he left England for the United States, saying bitterly as he left that he had lived in England 20 years a foreigner. Finally, towards the end of his career, we would see him weeping at the great 1895 Hastings International tournament, saying he was losing even to his pupils and yet playing a marvellously brilliant game against the curmudgeonly Kurt von Bardeleben.

I have already given the game against von Bardeleben in a previous article so here, as an example of his earliest style, is a brilliancy he won in his middle twenties at a tournament at London in 1862.

White: Steinitz. Black: Mongredien. Centre Counter Defence.

1 P-K4	P-Q4	8 Kt-QB3	Q-Q1
2 PxP	QxP		

An old and bad variation; if one must play the Centre Counter then at least 3 ... Q-QR4 should be tried here.

3 P-Q4	P-KB3	10 P-B3	QKt-Q2
4 Kt-B3	Kt-KB3	11 Q-Q2	Kt-Q4
5 B-Q2	B-KN5	12 KtxKt	PxKt
6 O-O	O-O	13 R-B2	P-KB4
7 B-K5	P-QKt3	14 R-R3	
8 Kt-K5	B-Kt2		

Threatening Q-R5; hence Blacks next move which, however, weakens his Kingside.

14 .... P-KKt3 15 P-KKt4 PxP

Failing to foresee the ensuing sacrifice; otherwise he would have played 15 ... KtxKt followed by B-B1 which just about holds the position.

16 RxP KtxKt

Taking the Rook at once merely transposes to what actually occurs in the game.

17 BPxKt KxR 18 QxP R-KKt1

Or 18 .., Q-K1; 19 Q-R5 ch, K-Kt1; 20 BxP, R-B2; 21 K-R1, B-KB1; 22 R-KKt1, B-Kt2; 23 B-R6 and White wins.

19 Q-R5 ch K-Kt2 21 Q-R7 ch K-K3
20 Q-R6 ch K-B3

If 21 .., R-Kt2; 22 BxP ch.

22 Q-R5 ch	K-B2	25 B-Kt8	Q-Q3
23 R-B1 ch	K-K1	26 BxP ch	KxB
24 Q-K6	R-KB2		

White's combination has been based on a series of pins and continues so for the rest of the game. If instead Black plays 26 .., K-Q1 then comes 27 R-B8 ch.

27 QxB ch K-Q1 29 QxQ mate
28 R-B8 ch Q-K1

Harry Golombek

Bridge

The constant problem

Systems were invented in order that partners could convey to each other their respective values, and no objection was taken to a bid, however abstruse, if opponents were able to understand it or have it explained. I have fought all my bridge life for the right of a player to reject a system and to bid as he chooses; to open, taking a crude example, One No trump on any hand with between 11 and 20 points. But such is the expansion of technical expertise in the form of system bidding that the magazines have almost forgotten that such a "free for all" form of rubber bridge is still in existence.

However, as a sop to readers who are not interested in duplicate, they are accustomed to include in their monthly competitions a question for the experts who are supposed to supply the correct answer to a rubber problem. A question (which I solved to my own satisfaction 50 years ago) caught my attention in a foreign publication, and I think you might like to give to it your serious consideration before deciding upon the appropriate action.

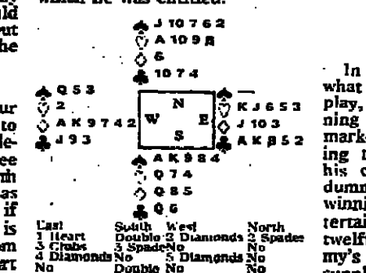
You are South, holding ♠ A Q 6 4 3 ♡ Q 8 7 4 ◇ K J 10 7 ♣ —, and elect to open One Spade. Since there was no score on either side, you might think that the opening was ill-chosen and many players at high stakes would prefer to pass as dealer; but the auction proceeds in the most ordinary way:

South	West	North	No
1 Spade	2 Clubs	No	East

and the ball is back in your court. What do you choose to re-bid? Weighing all the relevant facts, you probably agree with me in finding that North (a) is short of spades (b) has no biddable suit (c) is long, if not strong, in clubs and (d) is reluctant without pressure from his partner to contest a part score. My answer is, therefore, Pass because it is unlikely that my side will be allowed to play in a profitable contract.

I was not surprised to read next month that, out of more than 30 experts, 26 reopened the auction with a double. I could understand why at duplicate any aggressive opener would contest a part score of 40, although the reason for a take-out double on 12 points escaped me. It seemed to me that the least expensive road to ruin was by way of a Two Diamonds rebid, which partner could remove into a better contract if it did not fit with his hand; the danger from the double was that partner might be tempted to pass it (since the contract did not give game) and lose a substantial number of points. However, the entertaining part of the story is that it was the only problem which had as its special title Rubber Bridge; so further reflection compelled me to conclude that either magazine editors enjoy provoking their readers or that duplicate experts do not play for high stakes at tables where the other players are average performers.

You have already deduced that I have a strong distaste for the negative double and for any bid which deprives partner of his freedom of action. The kind of rubber which gives me most satisfaction—a sadistic trait to which I must admit—is one in which each side is pushing the opposition well out of their depth and where disaster could have been avoided by the declarer who had foolishly decided to bid for game whatever the cost. His only justification for overbidding his cards is an exceptional skill in playing the dummy, and such talent was strangely absent in West who had treated the bidding by his opponents as if they were depriving him of a rubber to which he was entitled.

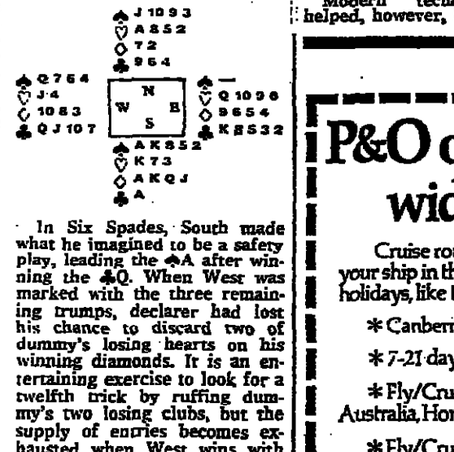


East	South	West	North
1 Heart	Double	2 Diamonds	2 Spades
3 Grabs	3 Spades	No	No
4 Diamonds	No	5 Diamonds	No
No	Double	No	No
No			

Most of West's bidding was ill-judged and his final raise to game was foolhardy in the face of the opposition bidding. Yet, strangely enough, he should have made the contract, because every key card was favourably placed. A spade was led and ruffed in dummy with the ◇3. Declarer then recklessly ran the ◇J and overtook his ◇10 in order to draw the remaining trump. But even with the ♣Q falling on the second round, he could not avoid losing two spades and one heart.

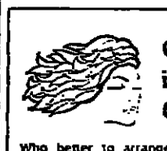
The answer to almost all these problem contracts is that where a trick must be lost the declarer does best to surrender it at the earliest possible moment. In this instance, South would be fixed with an impossible return after winning with the ♠K. His best lead is probably a heart, in the hope that declarer will ruff the spade returned by North after taking his ♡A. The contract will then depend on whether declarer finesses against the ◇Q.

Players of moderate skill have a reluctance to give away a trick which can be surrendered without any apparent risk, because they fail to foresee that the loser may later prove an expensive incubus. The most famous example of failure to surrender an early trick (which cost nearly 2,000 points) was exposed by a Swedish expert named Wohlin who was famous not only for his skill but also for his size. One of his opponents was in a lay-down small slam, but could not resist the temptation to play for an overtrick. No score; dealer South.



In Six Spades, South made what he imagined to be a safety play, leading the ♠A after winning the ♣Q. When West was marked with the three remaining trumps, declarer had lost his chance to discard two of dummy's losing hearts on his winning diamonds. It is an entertaining exercise to look for a twelfth trick by ruffing dummy's two losing clubs, but the supply of entries becomes exhausted when West wins with the ♠Q and returns a trump—assuming that declarer tries to create a card of entry in order to ruff the losing clubs. He has lost his only chance of success in this unusual example of dummy reversal by not leading the ♠8 after winning the ♣A. The declarer can afford to give away a trump to ensure the contract; but he must surrender it early—and from his own hand.

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Another farce in the House

The imbroglio that has made Colonel B a household name in a constitutional clash over press freedom has turned into a classic farce—the kind for which recent British politics has, like our theatre, gained world renown.

And like the best farces it is a well deserved product of complacency among our major political parties—and our governing establishment. They really have had it coming to them.

For years there has been talk of bringing the Official Secrets Acts into this last quarter of the twentieth century (substantially they date from the first, in 1911). This Government, although one would hardly know it, is actually committed to reform them by its October 1974 manifesto. The Liberals have professed to the country that such reform (which they have supported far longer than anyone else) was a major ingredient of the Lib-Lab pact.

The Conservatives, well, the Conservatives mean by being the party of liberty that they should be free to preserve as much secret as possible, including their own shadow Cabinet affairs which they sometimes seem to elevate to within the meaning of the Act.

But they had their role to play in this farce, choosing the day of the Colonel's naming to make a rare announcement: that Mrs Thatcher was setting up a committee to consider official secrecy among other things.

Let us recall that it was in 1971 that Mr Heath set up a committee under Lord Franks to review the Acts, and that in 1972 they recommended replacing the notorious catch-all section two of the 1911 Acts with narrower provisions.

Mr Roy Jenkins, as Home Secretary, later investigated, taking a look at American practices, and promise was in the air. But all that has happened in the interval is work on a White Paper which may appear before Whitsun. But there is still no draft Bill at the Home Office, and no likelihood of legislation until after a general election, if then.

Who cares? Well whatever you think about the MPs who chose to defy on the floor of the House something that was *sub judice*, we are down to basics. "I will defend to the death their right to say it", said Mr Graham Page the high Tory solicitor who unsuccessfully put it to the Speaker that the Director of Public Prosecutions might, while threatening contempt of court, be in contempt of Parliament.

> **If only one could report from Westminster a wind of change. But it has not yet ruffled the PM's brow**

The Speaker's ruling of no contempt of the House has removed any imminent prospect of collision between Parliament, legal authorities and the courts. Yet the farce is what must strike the public.

As matters stand anyone repeating, say in a school magazine, the name he heard broadcast on Thursday, or read in most newspapers, or could copy from Hansard in his local public library, risks proceedings against him for contempt of court. The reference in Erskine May, the bible of parliamentary practice, holds that publication of parliamentary proceedings is protected by qualified privilege, so long as it is a fair and faithful report.

Yet the Director of Public Prosecutions, acting at the behest of the political appointee, Mr Sam Silkin, Attorney General, expresses himself duty bound to have the issue tested in the courts.

There are serious issues here no one denies it, especially now that parliamentary broadcasting has begun. What would happen, for instance if a minister, as has happened, said during a future live broadcast of proceedings that so and so was a killer?

It is the failure of governments to move with the times of the issue of public knowledge that has led to the inevitable act of defiance.

The four Labour MPs involved in the naming admit that they wanted to bend the existing Commons "convention" (it is in fact a binding 1963 resolution) against discussing *sub judice* matters. Mr Christopher Price holds that it is as much an MP's entitlement under our common law to erode conventions or make them more flexible as it is Lord Dennings's entitlement in the High Court.

This shocks traditionalists. But MPs like Mr Price hold that they must be entitled to use their judgment to rescue the Government—in this case from an absurd and massive confrontation that it had pursued with the National Union of Journalists over the naming of the Colonel.

It remains to be seen whether the Government can be compelled—as much by reaction from the public to the absurdities of trying to "gag" the press—to hasten its proposed reforms of official secrecy.

The American way is more absolutist and brings expressions of horror from those in British politics who fantasize that the Americans no longer have secrets worth keeping.

Its essence is that, except in breaking secret codes and, latterly, employment contracts with the CIA, there should be no *prior restraint* on press publication. The Supreme Court ruling on the Nixon administration's attempts to stop *The New York Times* and others printing the top secret Pentagon papers on the Vietnam war was that the government must not restrain the printing, but could prosecute afterwards for any offences committed in the printing.

This principle seems abhorrent to British officialdom. They tend to regard post facto pursuit to be as useful as closing the door after the horse has bolted. And yet there has got to be change from the present shackles that are a rebuke to an adult democracy.

It is one thing to protect privacy as many in the public would applaud, resentful of newspaper intrusions. It is laudable to protect genuine security secrets. But the continuation of a clanking partial censorship in which officials dictate what people may read only encourages farce.

This is not the fault of the courts or the DPP. They have to seek to enforce the law as they see fit. It is the politicians who are at fault in allowing the drift to the inevitable farce.

One wishes one could report from Westminster some wind of change. But it has not yet ruffled the Prime Minister's brow. This week while impudently urging Mrs Thatcher to publish the leaked report on the Conservatives and the unions he was, in the same breath, complaining over whoever leaked his figures on resignations from the armed services.

Shakespeare's passionate lady blames it all on the men

In 1609 Thomas Thorp got hold of Shakespeare's Sonnets and published them with his own dedication to Mr W. H., and not Shakespeare's young Lord of years before when the Sonnets were written (1592-5), the obvious person, his patron, young Southampton. We will not repeat here what is already known, but concentrate on what is new.

The Sonnets presented an unforgettable portrait of Shakespeare's mistress, who was all too well-known, indeed notorious; very dark and musical, promiscuous and temperamental, tyrannical and proud, who looked down on her mere actor-lover. He was several years older, while Southampton was a few years younger—evidently a better bet and, an ambitious woman she tried to get hold of him.

The very next year after the publication of this defaming portrait of her (which Shakespeare did not publish—he did not correct the proofs), Emilia Lanier (née Bassano) announced the publication of her long poem, *Salve Deus Rex Judaeorum* (Hail God, King of the Jews). In the dozen or so years that had elapsed since the affair with Shakespeare she had undergone a religious conversion. Next year, 1611, the poem was printed for Richard Bonian by Valentine Simmes, who had already printed several of Shakespeare's plays.

This little quarto is one of the rarest books in the world: only four complete copies appear to have survived. The long poem is a discursive one dealing with the Passion of Christ. To it is appended "The Description of Cookham", where Emilia had passed part of one summer in *villeggiatura* with the Countess of Cumberland, who had suggested to her that she write her poem. At the beginning—for Emilia is as up-stage and haughty as ever—are a dozen dedicatory poems to James I's Queen, Princess Elizabeth, Lady Arabella Stuart, the Countesses or Dowagers of Cumberland, Dorset, Pembroke, Kent, Bedford, Suffolk, etc.

What is clear is that Emilia was the best woman poet of the time, except for Sidney's sister, the Countess of Pembroke—far better than Queen Elizabeth, who wrote antique doggerel. When one knows how uneducated some Court ladies were (like Lady Raleigh or Mary Fitton, who could hardly spell), one can understand Emilia's discontent, her resentment at her luck, having flown so high—mistress of Lord Chamberlain Hunsdon, first cousin of the Queen (and patron of Shakespeare's Company—one couldn't get closer).

Emilia was highly educated, with a remarkable knowledge of the classical, Renaissance and Biblical background, and an extensive vocabulary. As a poet she had a natural facility for iambic pentameter—too facile, for she is rather long-winded and wordy (as in life, I expect!).

Simon Forman has told us that as an orphan—daughter of the Queen's musician, Baptista Bassano—Emilia was brought up by the Countess of Kent. This is corroborated by the poem to her:

Come, you that were the
Mistress of my youth,
The noble guide of my
ungoverned days . . .

What is most remarkable is that, between the main poem and the dedicatory poems, Emilia has inserted a scathing prose Reply to men for defaming women. I know nothing else like it in Elizabethan literature. All women do not deserve blame: they should leave that to "evil-disposed m who—forgetting that they w born of woman, nourished women, and that, if it were by the means of women, t would be quite extinguis out of the world and a fi end of the all—do, Vipers, deface the wor wherein they were bred".

And so she goes on: has not ceased to be, for her religious conversion, same passionate woman drove William Shakespe "frantic-mad", and alarm Simon Forman with her ta of the conjuration of spir ("O, from what power h thou this powerful might? She tells us that she dreamed the title of her bo a kind of presentiment, ye before she required it for poem.

The poem is a unique fem ist manifesto all the through. Men are to blame women's undoing:

For greatest perils do att
the fai
When men do seek, attem
plot and devis,
How they may overthrow
chastest dam
Whose beauty is the wi
whereat they aii

She has only the least obli reference to her own cheque past, and—after her experie at the hands of men—one c not but sympathise with her

'Twas beauty made chi
Lucrece lose her lif
For which proud Tarqu
fact was so abhorre

Antony and Cleopatra he section devoted to them, which Antony gets all blame. So does Adam for Fall:

That we (poor women) n
endure it all . .
No subtle serpent's falseh
did betray hi
If he would eat it, who
power to stay him.

And so she goes through heroines of history, class and Biblical, with passio temper and conviction. To with her powerful persona and with the opportuni (save for one) that she denied in her own time, lack of fortune she reser quite as much as Will Shakespeare did his, she wo have made a leader of wom lib.

We now learn, what is n that she was rather hard Alfonso Lanier, the r musician to whom she married off when pregnant the Lord Chamberlain. C Bishop Bancroft descri Lanier as "mine old and lo friend"; and Southamp with whom he had served the Azores Voyage of 1597 in Ireland, backed him for monopoly of importing hay straw into London and W minster, which was what Em had principally to live on w he died in 1613. Dr John has discovered that in 1617 set on a school for the child of well-born people in the ar cratic suburb of St Giles-in-Fields.

We may learn more from legal cases she engaged in, she was very litigious, bent standing up for her rights. A a tough woman, she went and on. When I first discove her, I thought there must two Emilias, for she went ri on into the Civil War, dying until 1645.

Everything we learn about Shakespeare's Dark Lady sh what a remarkable persona hers was for which he fell. T is the woman.

[I am much indebted to Dr J Guy of the Public Rec Office, Miss Mary Edmond Mr Roger Prior for informat and help.]

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Advanced meditators learn the technique of "flying", which is in fact as spontaneous as TM. On the right, John Groser's teacher practises his TM programme in the grounds of Roydon Hall.

Getting rid of my fear of flying

There were pheasants at the bottom of my garden and more at the top of it: one magnificent cock bird so tame that he ate digestive biscuits from my hand. These splendid birds were safe (at least until October 1) for they had taken sanctuary at Roydon Hall in Kent, the headquarters in this country of the Maharishi International College.

For the past few days, I also have taken refuge at Roydon, attending the first ever transcendental meditation (TM) instruction course for journalists. I arrived with what I thought to be the right degree of cynicism (colleagues prefer to call it "professionalism") expecting the place to be crawling with Inview, Outsight and Upgrove teams of deeply investigative reporters.

Only the man from the *News of the World*, was there, suffering from a severe head cold and looking glumly at the pheasants. He remarked that they would not fly even if he tried to frighten them way. Clearly he did not understand these birds—for he declared himself a "page three man, really".

The several brace of game shooters' delight were not the only creatures that refused to fly. Rumour had reached me from Seelisberg in Switzerland (the International Capital of the Age of Enlightenment) that some followers of the Maharishi had so refined the practice of TM that they actually were able to leviate or "fly" as they call it in the business.

Indeed I had seen photographs of meditators bouncing around on large foam rubber mattresses. At my pre-flight briefing (so to speak) at Roydon, I was told by Chris Adamson, who is a TM teacher attached to Roydon's expansion team, of his first faltering hop during the original TM-Sidhi course in Switzerland. Mr Adamson confided that in time he would be able, at a stroke, to create the effect of dematerializing next to me and materializing on the other side of the room.

Nervously (I personally hate flying even in jumbos) I asked him if he would give me a demo. Just a weensy flight across the room? Perhaps a teeny hop on the floor? Resolutely he declined (as did all the advanced meditators who were leading the courses or participating in them) for the Maharishi has ordained that there is to be no such sensationalism and anyway they are not good enough yet at levitating to be seen in public.

Cynicism increased. Glum (from the *News of the World*) scoffed. The man from the *Evening Standard* arrived late (typical) and left early. He was not cynical for he had a brother who was very in to TM. So, I thought, why fly before I can walk. Accordingly, with an enthusiasm which entirely masked my nervousness at treading boldly into an unknown field, I commenced the TM course.

Those of you (all right, the two of you) who think I am not taking any of this seriously are completely wrong. Saints have been known to levitate, indeed they have been canonized for it. Flying, I am convinced, is possible. Meditation is nothing new. The Maharishi does not claim he invented it, for he follows in a long line of masters. But he does explain that he has refined the technique to make it entirely natural.

Besides, in the western world, meditation has been practised in monasteries ever since the desert fathers cribbed the habit from the East. St Benedict's views on "mental prayer" are not far removed from the Maharishi's on TM. The late Thomas Merton's writings on the inner silence took his Cistercian brothers (and the Christian communion) back to basics in a way that the Maharishi has done.

Part of the problem for the practitioners of TM is that little is known about their extensive and scientific work and that many of the trappings do appear, to the outsider, amusing. His Holiness Maharishi Mahesh Yogi has not always had the right sort of PR (the connexion with the Beatles, for instance, and hippies and flower power).

In 1976 he founded the World Government of the Age of Enlightenment with a "cabinet" of 11 chief ministers (disciples?). He pronounced this year the Year of Invincibility to Every Nation (someone please tell every nation). Yet the work done by his research foundations all over the world is prodigious. Those who are put off by the external trappings inevitably do not get to hear of this work.

The Minister of Cultural Integrity, Invincibility and World Harmony (you see what I mean?) is the school friend of a friend of mine from Eton. Vesey Crichton is sincere, articulate very close to the Maharishi and, I believe, concerned about the problem of "image". He also plays a mean game of croquet. His main task is to persuade governments of the value of TM and of the "Maharishi Effect". Some administrations are more receptive than others—Pierre Trudeau practices TM but Jim Callaghan does not (Whitehall is very stuffy about the whole thing).

Mr Crichton also wants prisons to use TM as a form of therapy (12 in the United States already do) and he told me that some enlightened legal systems were using TM instead of prison sentence. This is the fourth year of the Age of Enlightenment (though the Maharishi had been teaching in the west for almost two decades) and the Maharishi feels it is time more people (at least one in every hundred) turned to TM.

Transcendental meditation is not a philosophy, nor a yoga exercise, nor a religion, a lifestyle, a diet. It is not even difficult to learn. Practised morning and evening for about 20 minutes, the Maharishi suggests that it will develop the full potential of the individual and, through the Maharishi Effect, bring peace and stability. It is certainly natural, effortless and refreshing. Perhaps now I may even take to flying.

John Groser

The sight and sounds of F R Leavis

The first sight of Dr F. R. Leavis which Cambridge freshmen had was a surprising one. A short but tanned and wiry figure in an open-necked shirt, academic gown tacked on behind, he looked down his beaky nose inspecting the text in front of him, like some restless, energetic bird, presiding over the lecture room.

His reputation had of course preceded him, which was why the undergraduates—not too keen on lectures anyway—had flocked to see what he was like in person. The course was called "Appreciation and analysis" or in the irreverent emendation of English students of 20 years ago, "Depreciation and paralysis".

But if the sight of Dr Leavis was a surprise, the sound was really amazing. He had a way of reading verse, in a slow deliberately unintlected monotone, which was very hard to catch. I remember having to sit at the front to pick up what he was saying, and even then straining to follow him.

The first poem on the list of "gobbets" which were distributed in the lecture room was Matthew Arnold's "Dover Beach". Dr Leavis, after a brief preliminary remark which his students have always taken to heart, "What matters is not to read extensively, but to read intensively", began to read this poem aloud.

Well, I must confess that until then I had supposed that "Dover Beach" was rather a good poem. Its opening lines have a pleasing onomatopoeic impression of the sea at high tide "Listen! You hear the grating roar of pebbles which the waves draw back. . . ."

But as Dr Leavis went through it one became gradually, or possibly grudgingly, aware that there faults in the poem. The poet had not felt really deeply the experience he was describing or, if he had, had failed to realize his feeling in convincingly poetic imagery.



F. R. Leavis: humorous, but scathing too.

The judgment of weaknesses, in language and rhyme and particularly metaphor, which Dr Leavis "enforced", amounted in the end to a heavy condemnation. Finally one came to realize that "Dover Beach" was a rather unsatisfactory poem, despite being included in all the anthologies—which was why Dr Leavis had chosen it in the first place. After that, one could never read "Dover Beach" again without hearing his voice in it.

That first gobbet of verse was, I suppose, a test of his whole approach. If one responded to Dr Leavis's analysis, one became a regular attender at his lectures, which went on to consider all kinds of verse and prose, and to analyse the language in the same intense and intensive way. The critic was obviously relishing the experience of the extracts which he read so carefully and unexpressively.

On the other hand, for those who rejected this approach to Dover Beach, one hearing was, presumably, enough. In the rooms of the English school there were plenty of other lecturers, silver-tongued, to summon spirits from the vasty deep, etc.

In his seminars at Downing College, by contrast, to which anyone interested could turn up, Dr Leavis displayed a quite different mien. He was open to others' views, humorous, sometimes scathing about his colleagues whose every slight from years back he was prepared to recall and catalogue.

Most of the time was spent in reading and analysing extracts as in his lectures, following the pattern of the English tripos or examination. Thus on his favourites, say nineteenth century novelists, Leavis was much better than on things he did not care for, such as the Greek drama. On such subjects H. A. Mason, still writing with rare imagination in *The Cambridge Quarterly*, would fill in. But Leavis would give an understanding answer, even when one might raise, as I once did, an author whom he had dismissed from critical attention, like Beerbohm. (He felt Beerbohm's parody had harmed the reputation of Henry James.)

Undergraduates who heard Leavis could not fail to be aware that they were lucky to be at Cambridge in his time, even if they probably also perceived that the impact Leavis had on their own impressionable minds was likely to be overdone. No matter. "Leavisites" became dedicated men, resisting fiercely the attacks from envious or spiteful reviewers, which used to come in the Sunday papers or *The Times Literary Supplement*, and which still do from time to time. "The thing is", a fellow freshman once summed up the experience of hearing him, "although Leavis makes three-quarters of English literature impossible to read, he does make the other quarter divine."

David Spanier

At home with the good life guru

John Seymour can fend for himself. He has lived the self-sufficient life for 20 years, and has written about it so effectively that he is guru to thousands of would-be homesteaders trapped in offices and flats all over Britain.

He never intended to be self-sufficient. It just happened because when he found a cottage he could afford it was so far from the shops that it was less trouble to grow the family's food than fetch it.

Now at his farm, Fachongle Isaf, in a fold of the Pembrokeshire hills he claims to have kept every animal useful to man, and to have grown every crop that could conceivably tolerate the climate.

He lists the things he regularly buys. "Instant coffee, tea, some sugar for brewing beer, some salt though we could make that from the sea, and have Lavatory paper . . . that's about it."

He never uses chemical fertilizers, but the plastic bags his neighbours discard weatherproof his home-made henhouses. His pigsties are made with materials salvaged from rubbish tips, but the pigs, left to do the heavy gardening with their unringed noses, are happy.

There is never time to get everything quite right of course. The inexpensive hay barn made out of surplus telegraph poles still lacks its third bay. The cows ate the compost-making portable loo, devized by Mahatma Gandhi, because it was thatched with flag leaves.

The mare, a sturdy, half-leg, cavorting weightily about her meadow as if to advertise the joys of the good life, has recently kicked her van to pieces. And the dairy is temporarily out of use because it is full of a ton and a half of freshly salted pork and bacon.



John Seymour: fending for himself.

Happy accident though his life may sound, Seymour was well qualified before he came to it. At 12 he was escaping a Frinton childhood in his sailing dinghy. After agricultural college he managed an African sheep farm, shot lions, ran away from elephants, and captained a smack fishing boat. From six months in the copper mines he got the blasting licence which later permitted him to blow boulders out of Fachongle Isaf's wilder fields with gelignite.

As government livestock officer with a district the size of Wales he cut up buffaloes and other beasts to see what they had died of. Home butchery came more early as a result.

After the Second World War, and 25 years before it became the fashion, he travelled overland to India, and wrote a book about it. He explored the waterways in a Dutch smack, and wrote a book about that. Marriage and a growing baby took him to the remote cottage and eventually self-sufficiency.

But now that he is the acknowledged expert he does not have time to be self-sufficient any more. He is almost wholly occupied writing books.

He keeps a small book-factory of designers and edi in Covent Garden busy. T weekend Faber publish *Self-Sufficient Gardener*; I month *I'm a stranger E Myself*, the story of Fachon Isaf. His two bestsellers, *Sufficiency* (65,000 sold) *The Complete Book of S Sufficiency* (45,000) reapp in paperback.

His first wife is now es lished on a smallholding of own a few miles away. mends her fences. She il trates his books. His sec wife, whom he found cam in his orchard, has now drawn to Bristol. He visits as he commutes to the Lond publishers.

Fachongle Isaf is made in all but legal title to mune of young follower loose and informal group up of those disciples who c to see it and stayed lon Some have been there t years. Others come and go

Perhaps Seymour regrets separation from his wives, his loss of privacy. "It pretty rugged.", he adr "but I thought how coul preach a return to the lan I was sitting on 62 acres keeping them to myself. farm could easily feed 20."

He puts little faith in bu In his own he writes sev times that the only way learn is by doing the yourself. Cobbett's *Cot Economy* was an inspiratio him. His books may others. He wants to spread word and share his knowle But he writes also bec he needs the money.

"I do not consider myse writer", he says. "I am a c I only write about the thin have done."

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THE BLOWING OF COLONEL B

Yesterday, in our parliamentary report, we published the name of the intelligence officer Colonel B, who had been named in the Commons by four MPs. We published the name after being advised by the Director of Public Prosecutions that in his opinion, such publication could amount to contempt of court. We were grateful for his advice, but decided not to follow it. The reason was not that we claimed any rights to disregard court orders or that we took any professional satisfaction from revealing a name that the authorities had been trying to keep secret, but that we considered it our overriding duty to continue providing full, fair and faithful reports of Parliamentary proceedings, as we have been doing for nearly 200 years. We also believe, in keeping with the view of the Speaker, that such reports attract qualified privilege. That is also the view taken by Erskine May, based on a decision (involving a former publisher of *The Times*) in 1868, Wason v Walter. The law cannot be considered as settled because that case dealt with defamation, and not with contempt. There has been no judicial decision on the precise point raised in the Colonel B case, but there seems no reason to deny the protection of privilege to reports which might be contemptuous when such protection is given to those which are libellous.

There is an analogy with court proceedings. If a junior court has made an order that a witness's name should not be published and subsequently a more senior court reveals that name, without making a prohibition on its publication, the press would be entitled, in its court report, to publish it. The junior court's prohibition would have, in effect, been overridden. The publication of Colonel B's identity in a fair and full parliamentary report. Parliament having disclosed that identity, is of the same order. That does not mean that the press would necessarily be entitled to reveal the name in any other circumstances. Outside the narrow confines of the press's qualified privilege, the judge's order would still hold sway.

Our duty is to publish a full and fair report of Parliamentary debates, unless Parliament itself stops us from doing so, as it did on occasion during the war, by sitting in secret. Our report would not have been full and fair if we had omitted what was the central issue of that part of the proceedings, the naming of the colonel. It would have been a censored report, and we would not have been fulfilling our obligations to have published it in that form. If Parliament requires that Hansard, or the media, should no longer provide the service they do at present, or if its members wish to keep unpublicized a particular fact or name, the answer lies with them.

It is arguable that the Speaker should have prevented at least three of the four uses of the colonel's name. The first occasion was a clear breach of the sub judice rule under which the Commons does not discuss any matter which is the subject of court proceedings, especially imminent criminal trials. The naming of the colonel is precisely what is in issue in contempt proceedings brought recently against two newspapers and a union. The Chair may not have been able to prevent the first intervention, but should have at that stage issued a warning against subsequent ones. His failure to do so is regrettable, although the damage would already have been done.

The incident also raises a wider issue, which may become increasingly important in the future. There are now in Parliament a number of members who do not adhere to all the principles and conventions and traditions of that institution. The naming of the colonel was a clear attempt to undermine the legitimacy of two sets of trials. It was nothing less than an attack on the rule of law. Unfortunately, what seems to have been a clear breach of parliamentary rules has so far gone unchecked. That can only provide encouragement for further abuses of parliamentary privilege, for which live radio transmission now gives extra scope.

The fact, however, that Parliament has failed to discipline its own members, and has allowed statements to be made that should not have been made does not mean that we, as objective reporters of proceedings in the House, should have stepped in and put matters right by censoring part of the debate. The only fair report is one which brings out the unpleasant aspects of the Parliamentary scene as well as the events in which we feel pride. It is not for us to determine, in the public interest, which parts of Parliamentary proceedings are publishable and which are not.

NO WORD GO FROM LAMBETH

One by one the present clutch of by-elections are providing a valuable guide to the state of political opinion in different parts of the country. The Ilford electorate in March indicated that in just the kind of marginal suburban seat that the Conservatives must win if they are to have a majority in the next Parliament there was a sufficient but not an extravagant swing to them. Indeed, compared with previous by-elections in this Parliament the result could be interpreted as being moderately encouraging to the Government. Garscadden last week suggested that the thrust of the SNP may have been blunted and that Labour have a better chance of holding their marginal Scottish seats than had been widely supposed a short time ago —though it would be wise to wait for the forthcoming Hamilton contest before drawing firm conclusions on that point. Now the verdict of Lambeth offers evidence from a run-down inner city constituency with a high coloured population.

The principal feature of this result was the Conservative success in obtaining a swing from labour of over nine per cent. that was higher than at Ilford, where it was 6.9 per cent, and reversed the trend for the swing against the Government to become steadily smaller in English by-elections. Taking into account the nature of the constituency, it would seem that the Conservative immigration policy has benefited the party in electoral terms. Obviously further detailed evidence will be required, but the figures do not suggest that coloured people flocked into the polling booths to vote for Labour. In all probability most coloured electors who voted will have supported Labour as in the past. But the low turn-out suggests that once again many will not have voted at all. On the other hand, Conservative immigration policy was probably a factor in attracting white voters resentful of the many coloured faces around them.

For the other parties Lambeth had little to offer. The National Front managed to oust the Liberals from third place, but with little more than six per cent of the vote they did not present the challenge that might have been feared in a constituency where there has been so much immigration. The Liberals may have suffered paradoxically from the presence of a National Front candidate, and possibly even from some of the other fringe candidatures which will have picked up the more eccentric protest vote. Nor could anybody have imagined that Lambeth would be hopeful Liberal territory. But when every allowance has been made, it was still a dismal showing for them.

Together these recent by-elections confirm the assumption that there will be no general election before the autumn. Indeed they strengthen the possibility that this Parliament may run until next spring. It would be misleading to attach much significance to the Labour-Conservative swing at Garscadden, where the principal question was whether the Nationalist advance would be halted. But the average swing to the Conservatives at Ilford and Lambeth was about eight per cent. This does not suggest that Labour have lost so much ground that they cannot recover, but it does indicate that they would lose an immediate election. That is not a prospect that would encourage such a naturally cautious man as Mr Callaghan to gamble.

Control of money supply

From Professor L. S. Pressnell

Sir, The further remarks on control of the money supply by Mr Bryan Gould, MP (April 18) require certain amendments.

1 Mr Gould ill-advisedly contrasts governmental and non-governmental borrowing from the Bank of England, intending thereby to discuss the generally accepted interpretation that inflation a few years before Waterloo was government-induced. He falls into error, first by neglect of a classical mechanism of such inflations. Banking systems have financed inflationary government borrowing not only directly but also indirectly; lavish advances to private business and individuals enabled them to lend increased amounts to governments (this characterised financing of the 1914-1918 War). Thus, Mr Gould's "old-fashioned demand inflation" was subordinate to an overriding public sector inflation.

2 Second, Mr Gould's loose phrasing about the fall in the government's borrowing from the Bank of England suggests a belief that fluctuations in borrowing from the bank satisfactorily indicted fluctuations in overall borrowing. This would imply in the case of the government a most improbable decline in certain years of a costly war. Nothing could be more mistaken. The *totals* of all kinds of both short and long term government borrowing, crucial to the course of a great inflation, *rose* in every financial year from 1794 to 1915, except for a slight drop in short term borrowing in 1811, offset by a rise in longer debt. This can be easily verified in Parliamentary papers.

3. Mr Gould's reluctance to identify a "politically influenced money supply" should now appear otiose. The Bullion Committee had no doubts. It reminded MPs that constraint upon the money supply had been removed "by the Legislature for what were held to be urgent reasons of State policy and public expediency".

4. On Bank of England discretion in stabilising monetary conditions, which he fails to detect in his predecessors' recommendations, Mr Gould may have overlooked the inescapable routine exercise of banking judgment in the provision of credit as well as its emergency forms. These were so well recognised as to be left largely implicit in a parliamentary report anxious for deflation rather than easement of the money supply.

Curiously, in advance contradiction of his own sixth paragraph, where he complains that I am "wholly wrong" to make correct statements of historical fact, Mr Gould's fourth paragraph embodies bits of one such implicit reference. The Bullion Committee's contemptuous dismissal of the bank's case for discretionary control, which may have absorbed Mr Gould's attention, referred to its exercise in the absence of the traditional checks of gold convertibility and of a fixed exchange rate. By their restoration it sought to contain within narrower and automatically operating limits, but by no means to eliminate entirely, the bank's scope to vary the supply of money.

Yours sincerely,
L. S. PRESSNELL,
Rydons Mead,
Effingham,
Surrey.

Tanker disasters

From Mr Clifford Jeans

Sir, The letter from Admiral Carew-Hunt (April 14) concerning the safety of merchant ships carrying dangerous cargo has some interesting points, but I would submit that under no circumstances should the duties and responsibilities of the master be taken over by someone who is not on the spot. People sitting in warm offices watching radar screens are in no position to give instructions to the captain of a ship who is probably struggling with a large unmanoeuvrable vessel in a howling gale in the North Atlantic.

The master must at all times be responsible for the vessel, crew and cargo and this has long been recognised in some of the old forms which had to be signed by the ship's master. Here he was referred to as Captain so and so, "Who shall be master under God alone". He cannot send for the police when the law is being broken on his ship, he cannot send for the doctor when there is illness on board. All he can do is to seek advice by radio, and all such advice including navigational advice is considered as an aid to the master, not as instructions.

In the nineteenth century some thought one of the main causes of marine casualties was the influence of insurance. It was argued that marine insurance enabled any loss to fall on the many with the result that more risky ventures were undertaken. Shipowners and merchants would lose nothing, while the loss of life was felt by the families who suffered, and indirectly by the community who had to maintain the dependents of those who were lost.

The insurance arrangements outlined by Admiral Carew-Hunt may very well result in disasters, for a ship's master trying to keep within the limits set by chair-bound navigators may find that he is involved in a collision or some other disaster which if left to himself he would not risk. It may be all right in the Royal Navy to take instructions from the shore but naval ships are hardly world-wide traders, while merchant ships have the added pressures of economics and commerce pressing down upon them.

Yours faithfully,
C. JEANS,
Master Mariner,
Department of Business Studies,
The Polytechnic of North London,
129-133 Camden High Street, NW1.

Clinical professors' pay

From Dr John M. Potter

Sir, It is for the good of medicine —and ultimately therefore of patients—that the attractions of a clinical academic career should not diminish because of any gross discrepancy between the salaries of full-time university doctors and those of their NHS counterparts.

What is good for medicine, however, may not always seem good for the rest of a university. Even clinical academics who stand aloof from the official doctors' union (the BMA) seem sometimes liable to overlook the privileged and anomalous place which they occupy among a community of scholars who are by any standards at present very badly paid indeed.

The universities came to accept some time ago that clinical responsibility required an addition to the academic stipend, but it now seems very doubtful whether it is fair that this addition, *which is for NHS service work*, should be at the expense of a university's budget.

Most universities are probably glad to have medical faculties, which contribute not only to their prestige but to the welfare of the local community. But the prospect of anything which might turn out to be a young cuckoo is not one which those responsible for the academic nest can ignore. Perhaps it was this that worried the Vice-Chancellors' and Principals' committee and the University Grants Committee at the time of the medical salary negotiations in 1968. Nothing that has happened since is likely to have allayed any fear that the price of a medical faculty might some time prove too much for the rest of a university to bear.

Yours faithfully,
JOHN M. POTTER,
The Medical School,
43 Woodstock Road, Oxford.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Use of referendum in government

From Sir Harold Wilson, FRS, MP for Huyton (Labour)

Sir, You report this morning (April 21) a decision by the Leader of the Conservative Party to set up a study group on the use of referenda as an instrument of government.

This is deeply touching when one remembers the howls of derision from the Conservative Party in the House of Commons when the Government proposed to hold a referendum on the Common Market. Just three years ago this month Mrs Thatcher led 248 Conservatives into the division lobby against the Referendum Bill. Now her party proposes the use of referenda over an unspecified range of matters which should properly be a matter for government policy and the decisions of Parliament. She has already mentioned the idea of using this device by some putative future Conservative government in relation to trade union law.

The Common Market referendum was held on an issue which divided each of the three principal parties, and though the Government made a recommendation to Parliament and the people in favour of a "Yes" vote, the conduct of the referendum was left to the two principal pro-Market and anti-Market organizations, who were consulted, as were the political parties, about the wording of the question and the arrangements for the vote.

Is this what the Leader of the Opposition has in mind?

Yours etc,
HAROLD WILSON,
House of Commons.
April 21.

The case of Colonel 'B'

From Mr J. Y. Randall

Sir, The case of Colonel "B" raises two important issues. First, to what extent printed publication of accurate records of proceedings in Parliament is protected by Parliamentary privilege (ironically, reporting parliamentary proceedings was, in the past, itself considered a Breach of Privilege).

Second, however, is an issue of at least as great importance. The presence of "live" radio microphones in the Houses means that anything said therein is liable to be broadcast to anyone in the country who cares to listen. Yet it is generally accepted that members of Parliament have total immunity from judicial proceedings in respect of anything said on the floor of either House.

Thus at present it would seem that the courts are powerless to prevent not only publication of the grossest libels and the most cynical breaches of confidence, but also the public naming of individuals the courts have seen fit to try to protect from this, be they parties to divorce or wardship proceedings, members of the Secret Services, or even victim and accused in a rape case (the latter a recent Parliamentary enactment). All this, and much more, would seem possible at the whim of any member of either House.

As Parliament itself resolved to allow the radio broadcasting of its proceedings, should it not now take proper steps to meet the implications of its decision? Perhaps members should require the Speaker's consent before breaking certain judicially imposed silences, as this consent could be freely given whenever Parliament's proceedings required it in any way. The penalty could be either exemption from the traditional immunity from suit (a certificate of the Speaker being conclusive that his consent was given), or that breach of this rule would itself be considered a contempt of Parliament.

I beg to remain, Sir, your obedient servant,
JOHN RANDALL,
52 Offley Road, SW9.
April 21.

French music collection

From the President of the Royal Musical Association

Sir, During its recent conference at Cambridge, the Royal Musical Association was concerned to learn that the famous "Toulouse-Philidor" collection of French music, the property of the Trustees of St Michael's College, Tenbury, is to be sold at Sotheby's on June 26. This collection, comprising over 400 volumes, consists principally of operas and ballets by such composers as Lully, Campra, Colasse and Destouches, and some church music, all copied for the Comte de Toulouse, mostly by the eminent composer André Philidor, music librarian to Louis XIV. It also contains some rare printed works of the same type, all composed in the late 17th and early 18th centuries.

This collection passed by inheritance from the Comte de Toulouse to the library of Louis-Philippe, at whose death it was sold at auction in 1852. It is a unique source of French musical history, and is of vital importance to scholars working in this field. The conference passed a resolution, expressing the hope that it would be sold intact, and, if possible, kept in this country.

Yours faithfully,
A. HYATT KING,
President,
Royal Musical Association,
c/o Reference Division,
British Library,
Great Russell Street, WC1.
April 12.

Vat on alarm systems

From Mr J. Hartley

Sir, If the Government is so keen to reduce the crime rate, why are intruder alarm systems installed in domestic premises regarded as a luxury in that VAT is levied at the rate of 12½ per cent on their routine maintenance?

Yours faithfully,
J. HARTLEY,
Phoenix Cottage,
Effingham,
Surrey.
April 13.

Secret trial of Anatoly Scharansky

From Mr I. Fisch

Sir, I read with interest Mr Bernard Levin's article in your edition of April 5 regarding the case of Anatoly Scharansky. When I was in Moscow in January, I was asked by Anatoly Scharansky's mother, Mrs Milgrom, to endeavour to represent her son as his lawyer as she had been asked to choose a lawyer by January 13 last.

I accompanied Mrs Milgrom to the Procurator General's office, and then to the KGB investigative branch at the Lefortovo Prison. We there asked to see Mr Volodin. We were not able to see him, but one of his aides gave us to understand that the trial would be held in secret and that neither Mrs Milgrom nor indeed anybody else, apart from a lawyer approved by the KGB would be allowed to see him until after his "trial and sentence, and even then only with the consent of the Judge".

At a subsequent meeting with the chairman of the Bar Council, Mr Apraksin, this gentlemen told me that they would not allow a foreign lawyer to represent Scharansky, and any lawyer would have to be one approved by the KGB and by his office, even though the criminal code states that any professional lawyer, relative or friend, may represent an accused in Russia. The trial would probably be held in secret but that he, Apraksin, would stake his career on his belief that Scharansky would not be sentenced to death.

Although the Russian criminal code states that a man cannot be held in prison for longer than 9 months without being charged or released, Scharansky has already been in jail for over one year. When pressed as to how this could happen, I was told by Mr Apraksin that the Supreme Soviet had extended the time by the passing of a law I asked him if I could see a copy of the law in question; he told me that Anatoly Scharansky had seen it and that he had told his mother that he had seen it when she had visited him in November. His mother in fact has never visited him as she has not been allowed to do so. Mr Apraksin who incidentally told me that he was the vice chairman of the Anglo-U.S.S.R. Friendship Society could not understand why people in the West had taken such an interest in the Scharansky case.

I spent a lot of time with Mrs Milgrom during my stay in Moscow and was most impressed by her courage and bearing under the strain which she was undergoing. The only time I ever saw her break down and weep was when she showed me the little window in the Lefortovo Prison ante-room where each month she was allowed to hand in a small parcel of food which she hoped would reach her son. She told me that that little window was all she had seen of her son for ten months.

Anatoly Scharansky's main champion and witness, Dina Beilin, who had been waiting for an exit visa for many years, was suddenly presented with a visa for her and her family and was told that she had to leave the Soviet Union by March 26, and she is now in Israel. It looks as if Anatoly Scharansky's trial will therefore be held very shortly, when the world will be informed of his sentence but not alas, of the details of his trial.

Yours etc,
I. FISCH,
Holbeck House,
105 Albion Street,
Leeds.
April 11.

Aleksandr Ginzburg

From Mr Kingsley Amis and others

Sir, For 14 months Aleksandr Ginzburg has been held incomunicado in the Kaluga Interrogation Prison in the USSR. It would appear that whatever eventual charges are made the real reason for his arrest in a Moscow street was that he helped distribute the charitable monies funded by Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn to help some 900 compatriots, who, together with their families, have suffered so much as political prisoners.

Such treatment of the leading monitor of the Helsinki Agreement, who has already bravely served seven years' imprisonment pursuing the principles set forth in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights surely deserves condemnation among all free men and women.

KINGSLEY AMIS,
WINSTON CHURCHILL,
DOUGLAS EDEN,
JO GRIMOND,
NORRIS McWHIRTER,
RASTKO MARCETIC,
ERIC MOONMAN,
ST OSWALD,
NATASHA SOLZHENITSYN,
G. H. N. SETON-WATSON,
April 10.

Tories and the unions

From Mr Stanley Lodge

Sir, The leaked report on the Conservative assessment of their ability to deal with the trade unions speaks of "defeating" those unions. "Defeat" for one party implies "victory" for another and in 1974 the unions, if this phraseology is used, were the "victors".

What, then, were the spoils of victory, what were the expectations of the trade unions on the return of the Labour Party to power? They cannot have included almost a million more unemployed, a cut in the standard of living, wage controls, higher taxation, reduced spending on the social services, disastrous losses in some rationalized industries, higher prices all round, nearly half the new cars on the roads made abroad and an industrial base so weak that even with the help of North Sea oil we cannot be sure of being able to pay for all our imports if we expand the economy.

It was sensible of Mrs Thatcher to see if her party could learn anything from the events of 1974. It would be equally sensible if the leaders of the trade unions, the members of the unions and the rest of the country tried to learn something from those events, not least about the realities of power and its use or misuse.

Yours faithfully,
STANLEY LODGE,
49 Beaucroft Lane,
Wimborne,
Dorset.
April 19.

From Mr R. A. Leeson

Sir, Your leader "A Necessary Report" (April 20) is in the best traditions of your founder, J. Walter I, in its blinkered attitude towards the trade unions.

In 1795 you were talking about "putting a spoke in the wheel" of the journeymen millwrights. One of the results was the Combination Acts of 1799-1800—not a notable success in reducing union power.

In 1810, J. Walter himself, inveterate employer of cheap labour, had his compositors put in jail. The inability to do so today must be one of your major frustrations.

In 1834, your hostility to attempts at General Union, led the journeymen tailors to describe you as "the poor mercenary time-serving tool of tyranny and oppression".

In 1846, you attacked moves towards national union organization which "introduce a foreign power . . . the Great Central Committee". And so on and so on.

Looking back it all seems absurd. No doubt today's strictures will likewise appear to future readers.

Today the unions have a permanent membership greater than the total votes cast for either of the "governing" parties in the 1974 general election.

If as you suggest the Wilson "In Place of Strife" scheme had been put into effect, it would have suffered the same fate as the Heath Industrial Relations Act. One reason for this is that millions of occasional voters for either party have a permanent interest in the trade unions.

Some may be affected by criticisms of trade union "power", but they need that power more than they need your editorial wisdom. It was true in 1795 and it is true today.

Yours faithfully,
R. A. LEESON,
18 McKenzie Road,
Broxbourne,
Hertfordshire.

From Mr D. R. Ward

Sir, I question whether new studies on the rôle of Mr Heath in the events of 1973-74 and his culpability for their outcome can add much to the words of Oscar Wilde. To paraphrase Lady Bracknell, to become involved in one confrontation with the miners may be regarded as a misfortune, to become involved in two looks like carelessness.

Yours etc,
D. R. WARD,
3 Sussex Terrace,
Southsea,
Hampshire.

Local radio listeners

From Miss Marghanita Laski

Sir, A group who could be especially well served by local radio are the very poor, who have in any case fewer television sets than other social groups; and among these, in particular, young mothers—"Educate a woman and you educate a family".

What kind of local radio can serve these people best? It would seem to be one that can devote to their interests an effort as imaginative and unremitting as the BBC put into its children's and schools programmes, including if necessary peak air-time.

It is unlikely that commercial local radio could, even with the best will in the world, do this. The people to be served have no free disposable money to spend on superfluities, and the most useful necessities for them to buy are better indicated by dispassionate consumer advice than by advertisers. To give, as is sometimes suggested, the profitable urban areas to local commercial radio while leaving the rest to the BBC is to waste the greatest opportunity we have ever had of breaking a vicious circle of cultural deprivation.

But so far the BBC has not met this problem either, its local radio programmes tending, as compared with ILR's, to be too worthy and pitched too high for this group of listeners. Almost certainly, however, the BBC could do the job if specifically charged with it, as it coped with the task of drawing listeners from pirate radio. It is not a job that could be best done by radio companies whose first duty (as the Annan committee was constantly told) is to their shareholders. But equally, even though to consider the job worth doing at all demands some degree of high-mindedness, it is emphatically not a job to be given to the kind of high-mindedness—admirable though in many ways it is—that has run some of the local cable stations.

Yours faithfully,
MARGHANITA LASKI,
Capo di Monte,
Windmill Hill, NW3.
April 16.

The Mormon Church

From Dr Stephen Reno

Sir, I deplore the sarcasm and lack of respect implicit in your report (April 19) of the press conference given by the Mormon Church in connexion with the recent kidnap case. It is sad but true that the ideals of any religious group are somewhat impugned by the failings of individual members, especially if such shortcomings attract public notice. But it is none the less unworthy and unjust not to treat fairly the sincere attempts of the Mormon leadership to rehabilitate the image of their church. To do less than that is only to perpetuate the bad publicity.

I write not as a member of the Mormon Church, for I am not, but as a faithful reader of *The Times*.

Yours faithfully,
S. J. RENO,
Department of Religion,
University of Leicester,
Leicester.
April 19.

New building at Jerusalem

From the Mayor of Jerusalem

Sir, The letter from H. E. Ambassador Abuzeid of Jordan (April 13) has just been brought to my attention and thus I am replying only now.

I would like to begin by referring specifically to the statement in my book that "the building all round Jerusalem concerns no one but us". In that I do not refer to us, the Jews, but rather to us, the Jerusalemites, all residents of our city, and it is evident when the statement is read in context in the book that I refer to building which takes place at a "considerable distance from the Old City". In contrast, the historic Old City, with its holy places, is the concern of people throughout the world.

However, we cannot help but regard the resolutions of the Security Council as gravely biased, politically motivated and devoid of moral weight. This past week the Jerusalem committee, comprising eminent scholars, town planners and humanists from many countries, met and after closely inspecting what has taken place in Jerusalem concluded "the achievements of the past few years of the administration of unified Jerusalem, obviously helped by continuity of leadership and policies, cannot but prove a stable element in this grave and possibly decisive stage of the Middle East crisis."

The demographic composition of Jerusalem which Ambassador Abuzeid implies is being changed in favour of the Jews has in fact changed over the last decade—but in favour of the non-Jewish population which has increased by 40 per cent, in comparison with the Jewish population which has increased by 32 per cent.

I would also like to draw your attention to the fact that Ambassador Abuzeid represents a country which not only neglected shamefully that part of Jerusalem it controlled for 19 years, but also prevented free access to holy places. To give but one example, one of the guarantees included in the armistice agreement in 1949 which was signed by Ambassador Abuzeid's government was that Jews would have free access to the Western Wall. This was never allowed.

May I conclude by extending an invitation to Ambassador Abuzeid to visit Jerusalem and to see for himself.

Yours sincerely,
TEDDY KOLLEK, Mayor,
Jerusalem.
April 20.

Educational vouchers

From Mrs Marjorie Seldon

Sir, The Conservative dilemma of supporting the comprehensive principle and at the same time advocating the retention of selective schools is ably posed by the two members of the Bow Group Education Committee (April 8).

It is not a problem to the Labour Party which would make all State schools comprehensive. However many Labour Party supporters, as well as Liberals and Conservatives, will think that the exclusion of comparison between comprehensives and other kinds of schools is too high a price to pay however good the benefits *claimed* for the comprehensive principle.

By contrast, the voucher system and more flexible zoning do not require the outlawing of any other type of school. They can be tried out in limited areas and their effectiveness in creating choice for parents can be measured. The dilemma of what kinds of schools we should have—selective, comprehensive or both—would be solved in the best possible way by finding out what parents themselves prefer.

Moreover, and this is something which your correspondents have overlooked, the supply and variety of schools is likely to be expanded by a voucher system to reflect parental preferences. Critics of the voucher system often overlook its important effect in making schools adapt themselves to the new conditions of selection by parents.

Your correspondents have also overlooked the likelihood that discontent will grow with the rigidity of the State system. Frustrated parents will not love any government which increases bureaucratic power and denies them any say in their children's schooling. Conversely, a political party which adheres to the principle of trying to give responsibility for choosing schools to the inarticulate, the uninfluential and the poor will be respected even if experiments in choice do not fully realize the hopes of their proponents.

Yours truly,
MARJORIE SELDON,
Chairman, Friends of the Education Voucher Experiment in Representative Regions,
The Thatched Cottage,
Godden Green,
Sevenoaks, Kent.

Sociology and terror

From Mr Carl L. Sargent

Sir, Professor Bauman protests (April 18) that sociology students do not just take up terrorism as a post-graduate career; journalism and the Civil Service are alternatives. On the face of it, there are now three excellent reasons for eliminating the study of this pseudo-science from our universities.

Further, can anyone tell me why we need a neutron bomb when we have available to us countless sociologists, people capable of boring millions to death whilst leaving buildings quite unharmed?

Yours sincerely,
CARL L. SARGENT,
The Psychological Laboratory,
Downing Street, Cambridge.

Hospital queues

From Mr J. P. Hudson

Sir, The fact that Mr Wedgwood Benn had to wait in a queue to be treated for so serious an injury as a broken ankle is a sad commentary on the present Government's neglect of the National Health Service.

Yours faithfully,
J. P. HUDSON,
96 Northchurch Road, N1

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WINDSOR CASTLE
April 21: Today is the fifty-second anniversary of the Birthday of The Queen.

YORK HOUSE
April 21: The Duke of Kent arrived at Heathrow Airport, London, this evening from Germany.

His Royal Highness, who travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight, was attended by Captain James Greenfield.

Birthdays today

Lord Airedale, 63; Mr George Cole, 53; Sir Harold Jeffreys, 87; Sir Leslie Kemp, 88; Mr Laurier Lister, 71; Mr Yehudi Menuhin, 62; the Earl of Oxford and Asquith, 62; Professor Sir Eric Scowen, 68.

TOMORROW: Archbishop M. G. Bowen, 48; Lord Carew, 73; Professor Glyn Daniel, 64; the Earl of Drogheda, 68; Sir Arnold Hall, 63; Sir Edwin McAlpine, 71; Dame Ngaio Marsh, 79; Sir Geoffrey Marshall, 91; Sir Thomas Padmore, 69; Lord Samuel of Wych Cross, 66; Sir Herbert Tetley, 70; Mr George Wansbrough, 74; Sir Eric Yarrow, 58.

25 years ago

From The Times of Wednesday, April 22, 1953

Britons released

From Our Special Correspondent
Panmunjom, April 21.—The noise of gunfire echoed across the neutral valley of Panmunjom today as another 100 United Nations disabled prisoners were exchanged for 500 Communists. As the men returned to the United Nations lines, artillery sited just outside the neutral zone continued duelling in the unfinished Korean war. Those returning comprised 50 South Koreans, 35 Americans, 12 Britons, three of them stretcher cases, and three Turks. The Communists received 450 Chinese and 50 North Koreans, whose behaviour was as impassive and almost as sullen as that of their comrades yesterday. The assembled correspondents numbering several score were able to interview some of the prisoners briefly at the Munsan "freedom village". The Britons who again chatted more freely than the Americans accepted British cigarettes and smoked them eagerly. Even two of the stretcher cases, Private Cox and Private Hawkins, both of The Gloucestershire Regiment, joked with correspondents.

Heathfield School, Ascot, Fellowship

This year's meeting of the Heathfield School, Ascot, Fellowship will take place at Heathfield, on Saturday, May 6. Evensong will be at 3 pm, when the preacher will be the Rev D. W. A. Stride. All old girls and their families and staff are most welcome. Please reply to Mrs Parry, Heathfield School, Ascot. (NB. All future fellowship meetings will take place on the Saturday following Ascension Day).

Palestine problem as a blot on the Festival of Freedom

Today is Passover, the oldest of all the Jewish festivals, commemorating the Exodus from Egypt over 3,000 years ago. Led by Moses, the Children of Israel made their escape from slavery into freedom and journeyed towards Mount Sinai and a still greater event—the divine Revelation which gave them the Ten Commandments and the Law.

Since Passover was the necessary prelude to the giving of the Law, it is usually described as the birthday of the Jewish people, and its message of freedom has inspired Jews throughout the centuries. In every country of their dispersion they have gathered for the Passover meal—the *Seder*—and recited the ancient litany from the *Haggadah*, the Passover narrative, "This year we are slaves, next year may we be free. This year we are here, next year may we be in Jerusalem". It is a man's duty in every generation, the *Haggadah enjoins* us, to instruct his son in the details of the Exodus as though he personally had gone forth from Egyptian slavery and tasted for the first time the exhilarating wine of freedom.

There, in a paragraph, you have the essence of Passover. From pulpits throughout the world today, rabbinical colleagues of mine will be reminding their congregations of the festival's message. With many an apt quotation, many a reference to the plight of Soviet Jewry, they will preach about every man's inalienable right to freedom, and a Jew's historic sensitivity to injustice and oppression.

If ever the jibe was justified that religion rarely seems to concern itself with contemporary problems, it will be today. Because only a handful of rabbis, I fear, will actually dare to suggest that the Palestinians, too, have a right to freedom. In the vain hope of deterring Israeli and Arab propagandists alike, let me, wearily, state my position.

I happen to believe that the creation of the State of Israel is the single most remarkable achievement of the twentieth century. Coming as it did so soon after the destruction of six million Jews by the Nazis, it makes me enormously proud of the stamina, resilience and fortitude of my people. I admire Israel's democratic, creative and scientific successes, visit the country whenever I can and support her philanthropic, charitable and welfare institutions. I am adamant about her right to exist within secure and recognized borders.

I also happen to believe that Yassir Arafat, the PLO and other extremist Palestinian factions are at best misguided fanatics, and that their disruptive influence will have to be removed—preferably by the Arabs themselves—if peace is ever to come to the Middle East.

Having said that, I am still left with an unresolved moral and theological problem so urgent that, in the words of a Talmudic rabbi, "I will speak, in order that I might find relief". Put simply, the problem is this. How can any Jew celebrate with a clear conscience the Festival of Freedom when he knows that over two million Palestinians languish in refugee camps? How can any rabbi denounce the Soviet authorities, or South African apartheid, when he knows that successive Israeli governments have been less than imaginative in coming to grips with the Palestinian problem?

It is easy enough to trot out plausible justifications. The Palestinians dispossessed in 1948 were "exchanged" for the million and a half Jews expelled from Arab countries; most Arab governments still stubbornly refuse to recognize Israel's existence; previous Israeli offers of compensation or partial repatriation have been rejected out of hand. All true, no doubt. Yet with each passing year, each bloody war, each successive tragedy of Palestinian terror raid and Israeli reprisal, the gap widens between Judaism's ethical teachings and their implementation by the Jewish state.

The absolute demands of religion are far removed from the grubby compromise of politics, but if the Jew has survived with a recognizable identity for over 3,000 years, and has overcome two thousand years of exile and persecution, it is because he gave his allegiance to eternal imperatives of Justice, Love and Compassion, not to the temporary expediencies of nationalism. The laudable, misguided hope of the early Zionists was to "normalize" the Jew, by making him the ordinary citizen of an ordinary country. It is the Jewish destiny to be "abnormal", to be God's witnesses in a world which usually denies Him.

Clearly God requires freedom for *all* his children, "Gentile or Jew, man or woman, man-servant or maid-servant". It is a fact of history that, from Pharoah onwards, individuals and governments have refused to grant to others the liberty which they prize so highly for themselves. Yet eventually they are forced to concede, because the urge to be free is a basic human aspiration, and no ruling power, whether despotic or benign, can long hold out against it.

So Passover will inevitably come for the Palestinians too, and one hopes sooner rather than later, peacefully by negotiation rather than after more wanton killing of the innocent. Those Jews within and outside Israel who refuse to countenance such an eventuality should remember the central ritual of the Passover meal. We drink four cups of wine, corresponding to the four biblical expressions for God's deliverance of the Israelites from Egyptian slavery.

A fifth cup is poured, but not drunk, for Elijah the prophet, traditionally regarded as the harbinger of the Messiah. It is not drunk because Jews recognize that although we were freed from bondage, the world is still only partially redeemed. Only when all men everywhere share in the joy of freedom will we know that the messianic age has dawned and that we can drink the fifth cup of wine.

David J. Goldberg

Service dinners

London and Kent Artillery
The London and Kent Artillery held a ladies' night at the Royal Artillery Mess, Woolwich, yesterday. Colonel D. Fawcett presided. Brigadier H. E. C. Weldon proposed the toast of the guests, to which Brigadier Lord Widgery replied.

57/257 Field Regiments
The Marquess of Abergavenny, Lord Lieutenant of East Sussex, was the principal guest of the officers of 57 (Home Counties), 257 (County of Sussex) and 257 (Sussex Yeomanry) Field Regiments RA (TA) at a dinner held at the Sussex Yeomanry Mess, Brighton, yesterday evening. Colonel C. R. Spincer presided and the guests were welcomed by Colonel P. I. D. Tetley.

Suffolk and Norfolk Yeomanry and Artillery
The annual dinner of the Suffolk and Norfolk Yeomanry and Artillery Dinner Club was held yesterday evening at the Cavalry and Guards Club. Colonel H. M. H. Ward presided and the guests were Mr I. D. Hewitt and Sir Joshua Rowley.

T & AVR
The annual dinner of Territorial and Army Volunteer Officers and their ladies was held last night at the London International Press Centre. Colonel D. A. B. Crawford presided. Among the guests were:
Lieutenant-General Sir Peter Hudson, Inspector General T & AVR, and Lady Hudson, Major-General J. H. Foster, Director of Volunteers, Territorials and Cadets, and Mrs Foster, Major-General W. Bate, Secretary of the Council of T & AVR Associations, and Mrs Bate and Brigadier Anne Field, Director of the Women's Royal Army Corps.

Dinners

Turner Society
Dr Roger Heathcote, chairman, and members of the Turner Society held a dinner at the Athenaeum yesterday evening to commemorate the 203rd anniversary of the birth of J. M. W. Turner. Lord Bruce of Donington, a vice-president of the society, and Mr Harry Eccleston, President of the Royal Society of Painter-Etchers and Engravers, were the speakers.

Lord Amulree
Lord Amulree entertained members and guests of the International Cultural Exchange at dinner in the House of Lords yesterday evening. Among those present were:
The Ambassador of Ecuador and Señora Marisa de Arroyo, the High Commissioner of India, the Deputy High Commissioner of India and Mrs P. A. Nazareth and Dr R. U. Hingorani (chairman).

British-Soviet Chamber of Commerce
The British-Soviet Chamber of Commerce gave a dinner yesterday evening at the Carlton Tower hotel in honour of Mr V. P. Pletnev, Vice-President of the USSR Chamber of Commerce and Industry. Sir John Buckley presided. Others present included:
Mr and Mrs Zamyatin, Mrs Gordon Planner, Mr V. S. Petrov, Mr and Mrs Yelizarov, Mr V. Zheleznov, Mr R. J. French, Mr and Mrs T. N. Dufort, Mr and Mrs J. S. Rooke and Mr and Mrs Ronald Scrivener.

Forthcoming marriages

Lord Simon Conyngham and Miss E. S. Breeze
The engagement is announced between Simon, younger son of Marquess Conyngham, of Cronk Glennie House, Isle of Man, and Eileen Countess of Mount Charles, of Galtrim House, co Meath, and Emma, daughter of the late Wing Commander and Mrs F. W. Breeze, of Poole, Dorset.

Mr A. Chamberlain, Jr and Miss D. Desachy
The engagement is announced between Arthur, son of Mr and Mrs Arthur Chamberlain, of Spring Cottage, Edgbaston, Birmingham 15, and Dominique, daughter of M and Mme Robert Desachy, of Mouy, 60, Oise, France.

Mr D. C. C. Davis and Miss A. H. Micklewicz
The engagement is announced between Christopher, son of Professor and Mrs R. H. C. Davis, of Harborne, Birmingham, and Anna, daughter of Mr and Mrs M. Mickiewicz, of Old Trafford, Manchester.

Mr M. J. M. Farmiloe and Miss C. M. Durden
The engagement is announced between Michael, elder son of Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs J. M. Farmiloe, of Iver Heath, Buckinghamshire, and Caroline, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs K. A. Durden, of Finchley, London, N3.

Mr E. R. Gunkel and Miss A. J. L. Sugden
The engagement is announced between Edmund, younger son of Mr and Mrs W. J. Gunkel, of Edinburgh, and Alison Jane, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs A. C. Sugden, of St Julians, Malta.

Mr M. T. Henderson and Miss S. A. Sword
The engagement is announced between Michael, son of Mr and Mrs W. T. Henderson, of Ashurst House, Coldwaltham, Pulborough, Sussex, and Sarah Anne (Sally), daughter of Mr and Mrs D. J. Sword, of Yarnhams, Froyle, Alton, Hampshire.

Mr P. R. S. Jones and Miss E. P. I. White
The engagement is announced between Robert, youngest son of Canon Professor and Mrs Douglas R. Jones, of Durham, and Elizabeth, youngest daughter of Mrs Valerie de la Cour White, of Helen's Bay.

Mr S. D. F. Kaempfer and Miss M. A. B. van Steeden
The engagement is announced between Steven, younger son of Mr and Mrs H. M. Kaempfer, of The Hague, The Netherlands, and Belinda, younger daughter of Mr E. van Steeden, of Richmond, Surrey, and the late Mrs C. F. van Steeden.

Latest appointments

Latest appointments include:
Mr Timothy Brighouse, aged 38, Deputy Education Officer (Services) for the Inner London Education Authority, to be Chief Education Officer for Oxfordshire, in succession to Mr John Garne, who is to retire.
Mr Eric Dear, aged 41, Islington Council's Deputy Director of Finance, to be Director of Finance, in succession to Mr Jeffrey Harvey, who has retired.
On the appointment of Mr William Reid, Accountant General of the Department of Education and Science as Deputy Secretary at the Scottish Office, and the retirement of Mr Edward Moss, under-secretary at the University Grants Committee, the following under-secretary appointments have been made in the department and the committee:
Mr Richard Jameson, aged 48, under-secretary, schools branch I, to be Accountant General of finance branch; Mr John Thompson, Assistant Secretary, finance branch, to be head of schools branch I; Mr John Spence, under-secretary, arts and libraries branch, to transfer to University Grants Committee; Mr Lawrence Brandes, under-secretary at the Treasury to be under-secretary, arts and libraries branch.

Legal

Mr R. C. Taylor to be prosecuting counsel to the Inland Revenue, North-Eastern Circuit, in succession to Mr R. M. Stewart, who has been made a QC.

Memorial service

Air Marshal D. Colyer
A memorial service for Air Marshal Douglas Colyer was held yesterday at St Clement Danes, Strand. The Rev G. R. Renowden officiated and Group Captain G. L. Cheshire, VC, read the lesson. Among those present were:
Mr and Mrs K. P. Payne (grandchildren), Charles, Jeremy and Katharine Payne (great grandchildren), Mrs E. Lockhart (sister-in-law), Mr and Mrs G. A. B. McIvor (brother-in-law and sister-in-law), Mrs C. Burton, Mr R. C. McIvor, Mr G. McIvor, Mrs B. Lightwing, Mrs M. Clark.
Sir Brian Batsford, Sir Geoffrey Tuttle, Air Marshal Sir Edward Chilton, Air Marshal Sir Thomas Elmhirst, Air Marshal Sir Victor Goddard, Air Vice-Marshal W. K. MacTaggart (Air Force Board) and Mrs MacTaggart, Air Vice-Marshal and Mrs S. O. Bufton, Wing Commander F. W. Tame (RAF Benevolent Fund), Flight-Lieutenant J. Chandler (RAF Reserves Club), Mr J. C. N. Eppstein (British Atlantic Committee), Mr R. S. Dickinson, Mrs Paul Willert and Miss Gwen Bingham.

Today's engagements

Princess Alice Duchess of Gloucester, as president of The Civil Service Sports Council, opens new club house at Ipswich, Civil Service sports field, 2.30.
Ideal Home Exhibition, Guildhall, Plymouth.
Walk: Tudor and Stuart London, meet Embankment station, 2.
Exhibition: "Art for Whom?" Serpentine Gallery, Kensington Gardens, 10-7.
Concert: London Mozart Players, Fairfield Halls, Croydon, 8.
Antiques fair: Cumberland Hotel, Marble Arch, 11-7.
Recital: Neil Smith, guitar, Bluecoat Chambers, School Lane, Liverpool, 7.30.
Talk: T'ang horses, British Museum, 11.30.
Lecture: Animals in action, Natural History Museum, Kensington, 3.
Demonstration recital for British Association of Organists, by Richard Townend, St Margaret's, Lothbury, 3.

Tomorrow

The Queen takes the salute at St George's Day parade of Queen's Scouts in Quadrangle, Windsor Castle, 2.
Walks: A London village, Hampstead, meet Hampstead Station, 2; Roman London, meet Tower Hill station, 2.
The Royal Society of St George, wreath-laying at Cenotaph, Whitehall, 11.30.
Antiques fair: Shaftesbury Hotel, Monmouth Street, Covent Garden, 11-6.
Lecture: English porcelain, Chelsea, by Jane Gardiner, Victoria and Albert Museum, 3.30.
All-England Sea Angling Championships, sea front, Folkestone.
Services: St George's Day, Norwich Cathedral, 3.30; annual Shakespeare, Holy Trinity, Stratford-on-Avon, 11.

Latest wills

Miss Mildred Mary Wilkins, of Clanfield, Hampshire, left £27,697 net. After personal bequests she left the residue to the People's Dispensary for Sick Animals, with the wish it makes some provision for its branch at Cowplain, Hampshire.

Other estates include (net, before tax paid; tax not disclosed):
Bishop, Mr Henry George Stokes, of Kensington £406,101
Field, Mr Howard Frederick, of Tredington, Warwickshire £142,883
Wernher, Lady, of Mayfair and Luton Hoo, Bedfordshire, widow of Sir Harold Wernher £710,434

Aldenham School

The Summer Term begins tomorrow and ends on July 15. Visitation Day is on Saturday, May 27, when the guest of honour will be Mr Nicholas Goodison, Chairman of the Stock Exchange. OA Day is on Saturday, June 17. The appeal for £185,000 for improvements to boarding house and other amenities reached its target within one year of launching and now stands at £200,000.

Bryanston School

The Summer Term begins today and ends on July 14. Celebrations to mark the fiftieth anniversary of the foundation of the school will include: a performance of the *Messiah* in Salisbury Cathedral by the Monteverdi Choir and Orchestra, conducted by Mr John Eliot Gardiner, OB, at 7.30 pm on April 26; a visit to the school for speeches and prize-giving on June 1 by the Duke of Gloucester; a thanksgiving service in Salisbury Cathedral on June 2 at which the address will be given by the Archbishop of Canterbury.

The Confirmation Service will be conducted by the Bishop of Salisbury on May 28. The school play, *Hamlet*, will be performed on May 30 and 31 and June 1.

Cranleigh School

The Summer Term begins tomorrow. To inaugurate the new chapel organ (by Grant, Degens and Bradbeer) a series of organ recitals will take place during the next two terms (May 6: Nicolas Kynaston; June 17: James Parsons; July 1: Christopher Dearnley; September 23: Robert Munns; October 14: Richard Seal). The Academic Entrance Scholarship takes place on May 15, 16 and 17. Speech Day, when the guest speaker will be Mr Hugh Cubitt, Lord Mayor of Westminster, and OC Day are on May 27. The school play, *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, is on July 6, 7 and 8; the Preparatory Schools' Tennis Festival on June 23. Long Leave is from May 27 to 31 and term ends on July 15.

Charterhouse

The Cricket Quarter begins tomorrow. P. A. Cummins is head of school. T. C. R. Whalley and C. J. Hardwick are deputy heads of school. T. J. Harpur is captain of cricket.

The exeat starts on Friday, June 2, and ends on Monday, June 5. OC Day is on Saturday, July 15. The Quarter ends on Tuesday, July 18.

Kelly College

The Summer Term begins tomorrow. On Monday, April 24, Miss Sharron Davies will open the indoor swimming pool, which completes the new sports complex inaugurated by the Prince of Wales to mark the centenary. The academic, music and naval scholarship examinations take place on May 14, 15 and 16. Founder's Day is on Friday, May 26, when the commemoration preacher will be the Bishop of Plymouth, chairman of the governors.

Shrewsbury School

The Summer Term begins today. Speech Day is on June 3 and term ends after the Bumping Races on Saturday, July 15.

Marriage

Mr C. R. Birkett and Miss C. J. Fisher
The marriage took place on Saturday, April 15, 1978, in the Guards Chapel, Wellington Barracks, of Mr Charles Birkett, son of Brigadier and Mrs Brian Birkett, of West Tillingham House, Hartfield, Sussex, and Miss Charlotte Fisher, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Charles Fisher, of Downs Farm House, Yalding, Kent.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by five bridesmaids and three pages. Major E. H. Houstoun, Grenadier Guards, was best man.

Sandringham visits

The Queen has cut admission rates for pensioners visiting Sandringham House and gardens for the six-month summer season. On production of pension books they will be admitted for 50p, a reduction of 20p on the adult rate.

Science report

Viruses: Infected cells become leaky

Work at the laboratories of the Imperial Cancer Research Fund in London suggests that one of the changes that occur in animal cells when they are infected by viruses may open up a new approach to the search for antiviral drugs. Dr L. Carasco, of Madrid University, has shown that in cells infected with a virus the outer membrane surrounding the cell becomes leaky, making it permeable to a range of chemicals that cannot normally enter healthy cells.

An infectious virus causes damage by penetrating the cells of its host and taking over their protein synthesis machinery to replicate itself. The result is a lot of new viruses and the death of the host cells. Because of their parasitic way of life it has proved difficult to develop drugs that prevent virus replication without damaging healthy, uninfected cells.

The outer membrane bounding animal cells is normally a selective barrier preventing the entry of many types of chemical. Dr Carasco has followed up earlier indications that attacking viruses modify the membrane in some way to make it leaky. He found that mouse cells infected with several sorts of virus were all affected by a chemical that shuts down the cell's essential protein-synthesizing system but cannot pass through the membrane of normal healthy cells. Healthy uninfected cells were not affected by the chemical.

The results of Dr Carasco's experiments suggest that the search for antiviral drugs that do not disrupt all the cells of the host indiscriminately may be less daunting than it has seemed so far. He suggests the possibility of exploiting inhibitors of the sort he used, which would enter only the cells made leaky by the viruses infecting them. It remains to be seen whether such a suggestion could be put into practice.

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Services tomorrow:

Fourth Sunday after Easter

ST PAUL'S CATHEDRAL: HC, 8; M, 10.30, Bishop of Malmesbury, TD and Ben (Stanford in B flat); HC, 11.30 (Darke in F), Int, Ave verum corpus (Elgar); Evensong, 3.15 Canon Evan Pilkington, Mag and ND, Short Service in F (Glow), A, The Lord is my shepherd (Berkeley).

WESTMINSTER ABBEY: HC, 8; M, 10.30 (Macpherson in E), Christ rising again (Byrd), Canon E. G. Knapp-Fisher; Sung Eucharist, 11.40, O bone Jesu (Palestrina), Miss Aeterna Christi munera (Palestrina); Evensong 3 (Wood in G), My beloved spake (Purcell), Rev D. Sparrow; Organ recital 6.5; E, 6.30, Canon Trevor Beeson.

SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL: Eucharist, 11, O quam gloriosum (Victoria), A, Let thy hand be strengthened (Blow), Canon Ivor Smith-Cameron; Evensong, 3.30 (Stanford in C), A, My beloved spake (Hadley), Rev M. B. St. L. Hurst-Bannister.

THE QUEEN'S CHAPEL ROYAL AT ST JAMES'S: HC, 8.30; M, 11.15, A, God liveth still (Bach), Ven J. R. Youens.

THE QUEEN'S CHAPEL OF THE SAVOY (public welcomed): MP, 11.15, TD (Holst Festival), Canon Edwyn Young, A, Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace (Wesley); HC, 12.30.

GUARDS CHAPEL, Wellington Barracks: HC, 8 and noon; M, 11, Rev R. T. J. K. Wood.

GRAY'S INN CHAPEL (public welcomed): 11.15, Canon E. A. James, A, O Lord, the maker of all things (Mundy).

LINCOLN'S INN CHAPEL, public invited (entry via Lincoln's Inn Fields gateway): M, 11.30, Canon R. Tydeman, A, O all ye people, clap your hands (Purcell).

HM TOWER OF LONDON: HC, 9.15; M, 11, T.D. (Britten in C), A, Credo quod Redemptor meus vivit (Parsons), Chancellor Rev E. Garth Moore.

TEMPLE CHURCH, Fleet Street (public welcomed): HC, 8.30; MP, 11.15, T.D. (Ley in B flat), Jub (Martin Fuggle), A, Let us now praise famous men (Walford Davies), Very Rev Eric Abbott.

ROYAL HOSPITAL, Chelsea (public admitted): HC, 8.50 and noon; Parade Service, 11, A, Beati quorum via (Stanford), Rev E. W. Evans.

ST CLEMENT DANES (RAF Church) public welcomed: HC, 8.30 and 12.15; M, 11, Rev L. V. Henry (Stanford in B flat), My beloved spake (Purcell); E, 3.30, Rev G. R. Huddleston (Watson in E), In exitu Israel (Wesley).

CHAPEL ROYAL, Hampton Court Palace (public welcomed): M, 11, TD, (Ireland in F), A, Most glorious lord of lyfe (Gibbs); E, 3.30, Mag and N.D. (Moeran in D), A If ye be risen again with Christ (Gibbons).

ALL HALLOWS BY THE TOWER: Sung Eucharist, 11, the Vicar.

ALL SAINTS', Margaret Street: LM, 8 and 5.15; HM, 11, Rev J. Shand (Bairstow in D); E and B 6, the Vicar (Bairstow in G).

GROSVENOR CHAPEL, South Audley Street: HC, 8.15; Sung Eucharist, 11, Rev G. Irvine.

HOLY SEPULCHRE, Holborn Viaduct: Sung Eucharist, 9.15, Canon R. Tydeman.

HOLY TRINITY, Brompton Road: HC, 8 and 12.15; HC (sung), 9 am; M, 11, Rev C. Marnham; E6.30, the Vicar.

ST ALBANS, Holborn: LM, 8 and 5.30 pm; SM, 9.30; M, 11, Coronation Mass (Mozart); Since by man came death (Handel).

ST BARTHOLOMEW-THE-GREAT PRIORY (AD 1123): HC, 9; M 11 Causton in G minor), A, Make ye joy (Byrd) and E, 6.30 (Causton in G minor), A, Hear my prayer (Purcell), the Rector.

ST BRIDE'S, Fleet Street: HC, 8.30; Choral M and Eucharist, 11, Rev W. Boulton, Jub (Boyce in A); Choral E, 6.30, Prebendary Dewi Morgan, Mag and ND (Wood in D), A, Exultate Justi (Viadana).

ST GEORGE'S, Hanover Square: HC, 8.15; Confirmation and Sung Eucharist, 11, Bishop Mark Hodson (Darke in A minor), Mot, Let all mortal flesh.

ST JAMES'S, Piccadilly: HC, 8.15; Eucharist, 9.15 and E, 6, Rev W. P. Baddeley; Sung Eucharist, 11 (Darke in F), Rev J. L. W. Robinson.

ST MARGARET'S, Westminster: HC, 8.15; M, 11, Incorporating the installation of Canon J. A. Baker as Rector of St Margaret's Church by the Very Rev Dr Edward Carpenter in the presence of the Speaker of the House of Commons: TD (Vaughan Williams in G), A, I was glad (Parry).

ST MARTIN-IN-THE-FIELDS: Family Communion, 9.45, Rev A. Couch; M, 11.15, Mr N. Ingram-Smith; E, 6.30, the Vicar (World Service broadcast).

ST MARY ABBOTS, Kensington: HC, 8 and 12.30; Sung Eucharist, 9.30, Rev A. F. Davies; M, 11.15, Rev I. L. Robson, When the Lord turned again (Batten); E, 6.30, Rev D. M. George, Blessed be the God (Wesley).

ST MARY'S, Bourne Street: LM, 8, 9.45 and 7 pm; HM 11, Rev J. Gilling, Missa à 4 (Monteverdi), Cantate Domino (Monteverdi); E and Solemn Ben, 6 pm.

ST MARYLEBONE PARISH CHURCH: HC, 8 and 11, Rev D. Knickerbocker, Missa brevis in D, K 194 (Mozart); O quam gloriosum est regnum (Victoria); E, 6.30.

ST MICHAEL'S, Chester Square: HC, 8.15 and 12.15; M, 11, Mr W. R. Webster; E 6, Rev E. G. H. Saunders.

ST PAUL'S, Wilton Place, Knightsbridge: HC, 8 and 9; Solemn Eucharist, 11 (Latham in A minor), Rev P. Laister.

ST PAUL'S, Bedford Street, Covent Garden: SE, 11.15, Rev J. Arrowsmith.

ST PAUL'S, Robert Adam Street: M, 11, Bishop Goodwin-Hudson; 6.30, Rev R. K. Townley.

ST SIMON ZELOTES, Chelsea: HC, 8; MP, 11; E, 6.30, Rev O. R. Clarke.

ST STEPHEN'S, Gloucester Road: LM, 8 and 9; HM, 11, Missa super Pilons, pilous lorge (Lassus), Rev Herbert Moore; E and B, 6, Rev David Priest.

ST VEDAST, Foster Lane: SM, 11, Canon French-Beytagh, Missa brevis (Walker), Mot, Like as we do put our trust (Wesley).

ST COLUMBA'S (Church of Scotland), Pont Street: 11, Rev Dr J. Fraser McLuskey; 6.30, Rev W. Grahame Bailey.

CROWN COURT CHURCH (Church of Scotland), Russell Street, Covent Garden: 11.15 and 6.30, Rev J. Miller Scott.

WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL: Mass, 7, 8, 9, noon, 5.30 and 7 pm; Vespers, 3.30 pm; SM, 10.30, Missa pontificalis (Perosi), O pray for the peace of Jerusalem (Blow), Jubilate Deo (Lassus).

THE ORATORY, SW: SM, 11, Missa Papae Marcelli (Palestrina); 3.30, V and B Mot, Jubilate Deo (Handl).

ASSUMPTION, Warwick St: SM, 11 (Latin), The Western Wind (Taverner).

ST PATRICK'S, Soho Square: SM, 6 pm, Missa O filii et filiae (Mul), Alleluia fundite rores (Bouzignac).

CHURCH OF OUR LADY, St John's Wood: SM (Latin), 10.45, Missa O quam gloriosum (Victoria), Regina coeli (Aichinger); Concert, 8 pm.

ESSEX UNITARIAN CHURCH: 11 am, welcomes both theists and humanists, 112 Palace Gardens Terrace, Kensington.

THE JESUIT CHURCH, Farm Street: Mass, 7.30, 8.30, 10, 11 (sung Latin), 4.15 and 6.15; Noon, Father Michael O'Brien, "Peace at the last".

REGENT SQUARE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (United Reformed), Tavistock Place: 11 and 6.30, Dr Daniel Jenkins.

CENTRAL HALL, Westminster: 11 and 6.30, Dr M. Barnett.

KINGSWAY HALL (West London Mission): 11 and 6.30, Rev Lord Soper.

CITY TEMPLE, Holborn Viaduct: 11 and 6.30, Rev F. G. Wilson Dennett.

WESTMINSTER CHAPEL, Buckingham Gate: 11, Rev Dr R. T. Kendall; 6.30, Dr D. James Kennedy.

WESLEY CHAPEL, meeting at St Martin's, Ludgate Hill: 11, Rev P. Jennings.

ENTERTAINMENTS

CINEMAS

STUDIO 1, 2, 3, 4, Oxford Circus. 437 3300.
1 THE MAN WITH THE GOLDEN GUN (A), 3.40, 8.10 LIVE AND LET DIE (A), 1.30, 5.55, Late show Sat. 10.45 The Man with the Golden Gun (A).
2 THE GOODBYE GIRL (A), Progs. 12.45, 2.45, 5.25, 8.05. Late show Sat. 10.45.
3 ANOTHER MAN, ANOTHER WOMAN (AA), Progs. 12.55, 2.55, 5.30, 8.10. Late show Sat. 10.50.
4 Woody Allen Diane Keaton Double Bill SLEEPER (A), 2.35, 5.50, 9.05 LOVE AND DEATH (A), 1.00, 4.15, 7.30. Late show Sat. 10.40.
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OBITUARY

MR J. P. COOPER

Historian of early economy and land inheritance

Mr J. P. Cooper, Fellow and Tutor of Trinity College, Oxford, died suddenly on April 12 at the age of 57. He was a formidably learned historian of early modern Europe and one of Oxford's most independent figures.

John Phillips Cooper was born at Handsworth, Birmingham, on July 9, 1920, the youngest son of P. A. Cooper, a farmer. He was educated at King Edward VI School, Birmingham, and at Magdalen College, Oxford, where he was an Exhibitioner and later an Honorary Demy. His undergraduate was interrupted by the Second World War and he served in the ranks for five years, being involved in fierce fighting in Italy and Greece. Returning to Oxford, he won the Gibbs Scholarship in 1946, took a First Class in Modern History in 1947 and became successively Lecturer at Manchester University and Fellow of All Souls. He moved in 1952 to a tutorial fellowship at Trinity and he was appointed Special University Lecturer in Sixteenth-Century History in 1970.

Cooper was one of the many former pupils of K. B. McFarlane to be appointed to history fellowships in Oxford during the post-war decades. It was McFarlane's examples which led him to begin his lifelong research upon the history of the English landed families, and when his told tutor died suddenly in 1966 Cooper devoted much of his time to the work of sorting and publishing his posthumous papers. His long introduction to McFarlane's Ford Lectures on *The Nobility of Later Medieval England* (1973 contains a profound and sympathetic appraisal of his master's work. (He had earlier written a briefer, but equally penetrating, portrait of Sir Lewis Namier, in whose department he had been at Manchester.)

Cooper's own career showed an initial reluctance to publish his findings, combined with a readiness to criticize the work of those who were less inhibited. He played a conspicuous role in the notorious controversy over the fortunes of the English gentry which dogged the historiography of the 1950s, providing a statistical appendix to H. R. Trevor-Roper's pamphlet *The Gentry 1540-1640*, and contributing a notable article on the inadequacies of R. H. Tawney's method of reckoning landed fortunes by counting manors, a technique which he compared in a famous sentence to the counting of sheep, because it introduced the reader "to a dream world, in which, as in our own dreams, reality may not be entirely absent, but appearances are often deceptive".

Although he never ceased to be a severe critic of other historians, Cooper's writing became increasingly constructive in later years. Much of his energy went into editing Volume IV of *The New Cambridge Modern History*, one of the best in the series, to which he contributed three chapters, including a masterly introduction which reveals his profound grasp of European economic history in the seventeenth century. With Joan Thirsk he produced an indispensable volume of *Seventeenth-Century Economic Documents* (1972) and in 1973 his long-promised edition of *The Wentworth Papers* appeared in the Camden series. More recently his impressive essay on inheritance patterns among great European landowners (in *Family and Inheritance*, edited by Goody, Thirsk and Thompson, 1976) gave a foretaste of the book on the early modern nobility which he did not live to complete. Cooper was not an easy writer: his style could be tortuous and his meaning elusive. But he always had something original to say and his historical writings cover a remarkably wide range of topics—social, legal and economic, for he was prodigiously well-read.

Cooper was a devoted defender of the college system and despite his own radical political sympathies, could be remarkably conservative in college matters. Meetings of his college faculty and faculty board were notable for his sardonic humour and often explosive interventions. In Congregation he was a notably courageous, irascible, orator, sparing no dignitary, however high, and never failing to castigate glibness, pomposity or bureaucratic attempts to cover things up.

Behind the apparent cantankerousness lay absolute moral integrity, distaste for humbug and a passionate zeal for the truth. He was unstintingly generous of time and assistance to colleagues and younger researchers, while his pupils, after being initially daunted by his fierce and sometimes moody exterior, came to be devoted to him. He stood for the highest standards, and his devotion and vigilance helped sustain those standards in others.

He married in 1958 Phyllis Carter, who survives him with a daughter and a son.

LORD RICHARD CECIL

Lord Richard Cecil, second son of the Marquess of Salisbury, who was killed in Rhodesia on Thursday, personified the interest and association which his family has had with that country.

An engaging, personable man of 30, his speciality as a freelance journalist was to try to go where the fighting was in the guerrilla war. His first-hand descriptive reports—in writing which he was helped by having been a soldier himself (he served in the Grenadier Guards as a captain and was mentioned in despatches in 1973) appeared in *The Times* and other papers.

Lately Lord Richard was working with an experienced cameraman on a documentary which they hoped to produce together.

Nicholas Ashford writes:
Lord Richard (he rarely used his title) was a courageous man. In Rhodesia he probably saw more action than the rest of the Salisbury press corps put together, and he loved it. He was never happier than when he was with the security forces in the field.

Lord Richard made no secret of his sympathies with the White Rhodesian cause, nor of his close friendship with the *Minister of Foreign Affairs and Information*, Mr P. K. Van der Byl. It was largely due to Mr Van der Byl's influence that he originally managed to get into military areas which were prohibited to other journalists. His methods were sometimes criticized by his detractors. He was prepared to wear Rhodesian Army uniform, to carry a rifle and even to use it. But he could argue that only in this way would he be able to report on and film the elusive bush war.

Lord Richard was nicknamed by his friends "young Winston" and in a sense he modelled himself on Sir Winston Churchill. Inspired by Sir Winston's exploits as a young man he saw his own career as a progress from the army through journalism to politics.

He did three tours of duty in Northern Ireland and later, while standing as a Conservative candidate in the 1974 general election, was critical of the restraints placed on British soldiers operating in the province. He first went to report in Rhodesia two years ago.

Tragic though his death is, he would almost certainly approve of the "killed in action" epitaph he has earned himself, although this time he was shooting with a camera and not a gun.

CAPTAIN G. P. BRITTON

Captain Graham Powell Britton, CBE, MA, RN, died on April 16 at the age of 66. As a young officer he was one of the first to qualify in meteorology following the establishment of the Naval Meteorological Branch in 1937, and it was in this specialization that he left his particular mark on the Royal Navy.

When he became Director of the Naval Weather Service in 1963 he was quick to appreciate the immediate importance of providing oceanographic as well as meteorological forecasting services to the Fleet, and under his inspired leadership these were provided in a very short time—to the benefit of the Royal Navy and other Nato navies. His title was changed to "Director of Meteorology and Oceanographic Services (Navy)", a visible recognition of those increased responsibilities and interests which have since been developed further, so that the present occupant of the post is Director of Naval Oceanography and Meteorology.

Graham Britton was an enthusiast for his Service and his profession. He conducted distinguished meteorological work in the Antarctic in the 1950s with Professor H. H. Lamb, and later developed new successful oceanographic forecasting techniques for use in his own forecasting units. Always full of vitality and ideas he will be sadly missed, not only by many naval colleagues but by students and staff at Reading University, where his talents were put to good use for 1[illegible] years following his retirement from the Royal Navy, and in Seattle, United States, and Australia, where the meteorological services benefited from his experience and talents. He was also well known and highly respected in World Meteorological Organisation circles.

He was a generous and kindly host, understanding of personal problems involving his staff, and a gifted performer on the stage, his Coronation Revue (theatrical) performed in front of the Queen in 1953 having entered the "folk-lore" of naval dramatic occasions.

His greatly loved wife died a bare two years before him and he leaves a son and daughter.

LADY CUNNINGHAM OF HYNDHOPE

R. M. D. writes:
Many who served in the Mediterranean Fleet in the first half of the last war will have read with much sadness of the death of the Viscountess Cunningham of Hyndhope.

Throughout the times, good and bad, when Admiral Cunningham was Commander-in-Chief of the Mediterranean station and based on Alexandria, Lady Cunningham was with him. So many officers and men alike will remember her always calm presence and her thoughtful kindness, whether in making her home a haven of rest for the overtired and overstrained—many of whom had lost their ships in action—or in constant concern for and visits to the wounded and sick in hospital. She earned widespread gratitude, for these came as a boon to these men far from home and their own folk. I feel that her passing should not be allowed to [illegible] without that gratitude being recorded.

Lieutenant-Colonel Alfred James Ross, DL, died on April 13. He was a Deputy Lieutenant for Middlesex and later for Greater London, and had been High Sheriff of the former county.

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BUSINESS NEWS

Personal investment and finance, pages 18, 19 and 20

Ford of Britain reveals £246m profits and plans to invest £1,000m

By Edward Townsend

Record profits, exports and sales and a four-year investment plan costing more than £1,000m were announced yesterday by Ford of Britain which emerges as the only profitable company among the country's big four motor manufacturers last year.

In sharp contrast to the performance of British Leyland, Ford's pre-tax profit for last year was £246m—more than double that of 1976.

As further evidence of the company's healthy finances, net borrowings fell from £111m in 1976 to £52m last year while net current assets rose from £97m to £383m.

Ford's total sales last year reached £2,253m against £1,627m in 1976. Group sales to export markets rose to £1,056m of which £893.5m were direct exports from the United Kingdom—an increase of 41 per cent on 1976.

Ford has declared a dividend of £78m. It plans to raise annual investment expenditure to £265m for the next four years. This is more than three times the company's previous record capital spending of £81.4m in 1977 which was itself £25m above the previous year's level.

Mr Terry Beckett, Ford's chairman and managing director, who was paid £54,843 last year—80 per cent up on 1976—told an audience of Ford managers, union officials and shop floor and staff representatives that future spending included the new engine plant at Bridgend in South Wales which is costing £180m.

It also involved "very large scale spending" at existing plants, particularly at Dagenham and Halewood. A spokesman said later that £250m was earmarked for modernizing plants and a large part of the remainder would go on tooling up for new products in the car and commercial vehicle sectors.

Mr Beckett said that Ford was Britain's third biggest exporter in 1977 "but imports also went up for reasons that are well known. We had to bring in many cars from Ford plants overseas that we could and should have built in Britain".

To employees, he said: "We could not possibly have achieved last year's results without the support and co-operation of the majority of our employees at all levels of the company. But our number one problem is still to produce cars in the right quantities every working day of the year, as they do in some other countries".

If the strike problem could be solved, he said, employee representatives could concentrate on providing their members with "a reasonable slice of a bigger cake".

Explaining Mr Beckett's big salary increase, a spokesman said that he had forfeited his normal increase in bonuses in recent years. His salary could rise or fall because of a performance-related element. In 1976 he earned £30,457, a drop of £7,000 on 1975.

Donald Macintyre, Labour Reporter, writes: Ford union conveners yesterday deftly diverted some of the limelight from the company's annual report by presenting a highly contentious one of their own.

Their attack on Ford's investment record and on claims of poor productivity by British workers was to have been made at the normal presentation to the unions of the annual figures and company plans.

But the manual unions boycotted the talks because of a current constitutional row with the company over representation of the Ford National Joint Negotiating Council.

At a Transport House press conference, half an hour before the meeting was to take place, the conveners accused Ford of having underinvested in Britain, of failing to buy British tools and components and of being a "puppet" of its American parent.

The "counter-presentation" challenged figures "such as that a British worker produces 110 Cortina doors an hour while a Continental worker produces 240".

The statement, introduced by Mr Bernard Passingham, senior Transport and General Workers' Union convener, complained that the company had refused to divulge the data on which the figures had been based "and more importantly that on capital expenditure which is also a determinant of productivity".

It claimed that the company had never "adequately countered" union evidence of the age of equipment at Dagenham, "the United Kingdom's biggest, and Europe's oldest, plant".

According to figures in the document culled from "internal sources" the British labour cost for a British Fiesta was $215. In comparison the labour cost of a German Fiesta was $370.

Mr Passingham said that a meeting of shop stewards in three weeks would discuss fears about the future of Dagenham, into which, he said, 100 Cortinas and 100 Fiestas were now being imported every day.

Union officials, who intend to press for a meeting with the Prime Minister, claim that Ford may cut production at Dagenham and that the Fiesta programme had already been reduced.

Stock Exchange chief strikes the first contract at podium three

Option trading opens with 586 deals

By Peter Wainwright

At 10 am sharp yesterday a loud cheer went up as the London Stock Exchange began its new market in trade options in a corner known as podium three. Mr Nicholas Goodison, chairman, as if on cue, got things moving with a contract in ICI for July at a striking price of 330p. The price of the option was 23p a share. It was, however, only a small deal.

Nothing much was doing elsewhere in the market as 10 am approached and it seemed that the whole trading floor crowded around the new podium.

But the expectancy did not last long. Almost at once the audience began to disperse, and just 15 minutes after opening, dealers were left staring and chatting to one another, hands in pockets.

Midday came and went and business picked up again. It was thought that in the first hour and a half about 400 contracts—"well up to expectations" as the Stock Exchange called it—were made.

This was soon seen to be wrong. Later the total was put as high as 586 contracts in the 10 underlying securities: BP, Commercial Union, Consolidated Goldfields, Courtaulds, GEC, Grand Metropolitan, ICI, Land Securities, Marks & Spencer, and Shell Transport.

This compares with 531 contracts struck in the first full four and a half hour session in nine stocks in Amsterdam on April 5, and 600 contracts in 16 options on the first day in Chicago five years ago.

The heaviest trade was in Grand Metropolitan where 265 contracts were struck, followed by Consolidated Goldfields with 122.

The verdicts of those concerned were predictable. Mr Dundas Hamilton, chairman of the trade options committee of the Stock Exchange, said trading had been "very satisfactory".

Broker de Zoete & Bevan, a clearing member, said: "Things seem to have gone according to plan. Foreign clients and United Kingdom institutions were largely absent but we expect them to come in later. Many institutions seem to have had trouble in completing the forms of authority needed to allow them to do business with brokers."

Jobber Wedd Durlacher conceded that it was surprised by the amount of business. Others agreed.

That said, a lot of business was undoubtedly done by those making the market to impress onlookers; and light-hearted folk wanted option contract papers dated the first day of dealing as souvenirs.

It also irritated some that the Department of Trade should have chosen Friday to tell everyone that London stockbrokers could join the Amsterdam options exchange because legal problems had been resolved. So up to a dozen United Kingdom broking firms may now join it.

So the underlying trend in this market will not be known until the novelty wears off. Then, if things have gone well, it will probably become clear that the podium is small to handle business, other than in the 10 pioneer stocks.

Most brokers and institutions are sitting on their hands. They think that they should only deal in traded options if their clients ask them to. It is not deemed their business to encourage clients.

And the criticism that traded options are simply gambling chips rather than a flexible mechanism for insuring against risk is held by a surprising number of brokers. The pressure to avoid a casino atmosphere is as strong as ever.

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Professor Friedman sees chink of light for UK

By Alan Hamilton

Professor Milton Friedman, the American economist has discerned a chink of daylight in the dark clouds overhanging the British economy, but suspects it many turn out to be short-lived.

Delivering the Hoover Foundation Lecture at Strathclyde University, Glasgow, the city where Adam Smith, his mentor, first propounded the free market economy, Professor Friedman decided last night to answer the title of his address, "Is the economic tide turning?" with "maybe".

He said it was absurd that every Western country should be attempting to move in the same direction at the same time to engineer a worldwide reflation. It was essential that every country should follow its own best interests and a concerted fight again depression would lead only to worldwide inflation.

The best indication that the tide of collectivism, which had been running in the United Kingdom for a century and in the United States for 50 years, was turning was that there was a revolt among ordinary people throughout the Western world against the payment of ever higher taxes.

There was little sign of a drastic change in government policy away from creeping collectivism anywhere in the Western world, although the signs in Britain were marginally more hopeful than those in the United States, the British Government having made a marginal reduction in its overall spending in the past two years.

That was a step in the right direction, but it remained a question whether the trend was permanent.

Professor Friedman concluded that the collectivist threat to democracy had eased, if temporarily. But he forecast a return of serious inflation, particularly in the United States, within a year.

He gave a warning that the apparent conversion to the gospel of monetary targets might be little more than political varnish, as they gave the public a false impression that governments were doing something about inflation.

Future of gold: On BBC Scotland's TV programme Reporting Scotland, Professor Friedman criticized the view of Mr William Rees-Mogg, the editor of *The Times*, in yesterday's paper that if Washington challenged gold to a knockout fight, there was only one possible victor, gold.

Professor Friedman replied: "No, gold won't win. I don't believe in gold. I think the editor of *The Times* is wrong. Fortunately or unfortunately, the day of gold as money is past, it's time is over.

"It may come again, but if it does, it will be by natural developments, not deliberate arrangement. Gold will not return in the forseeable future.

"Even South Africa, the world's largest producer, does not use it as a base for its money. In my opinion, gold is just another commodity, an extremely speculative one, perhaps a hedge against inflation but not a likely candidate for an international currency."

NEB injects £10m of new equity into Herbert machine tool group

By Our Industrial Staff

A £10m injection of funds, in the form of new equity capital has been made by the National Enterprise Board in the Herbert machine tool group to support a reorganization and re-equipment programme.

The company, based at Coventry, has several new machines at the development stage and plans to spend £5m in the current year on new equipment, including some of Herbert's own machines.

Sir John Buckley, Herbert's chairman, said yesterday that part of the new finance would be used to reduce repayments on a Finance Corporation for Industry loan. In 1976 the FCI loan cost the company £833,000 in interest charges.

The NEB injection, he said, was in no way "a propping up operation". They had now "got hold" of the business and there was a desire by the management and the NEB to move forward. "That is what the NEB is for—to be able to take a longer view."

Last year, Herbert cut the labour force at its Edgwick works in Coventry because of poor market conditions, and Sir John gave a warning that there could be more labour shedding.

"Whatever needs to be done, the management and union leaders are determined to do it."

In a statement about the new funding, the NEB said: "We believe that these steps will greatly add to the operating efficiency of the company. Heavy investment in product development and plant machinery is taking place and must continue for the next few years."

Herbert's results for 1977, published last month, disclosed pre-tax loss of £236,000. The company was rescued by the Government in 1975 with a cash injection of £25m and returned to profitability the following year with pre-tax earnings of £685,000.



Sir John Buckley: desire to move forward.

Welcome for new tap stock

By Caroline Atkinson

The Government is to begin its funding programme for the new financial year with an £800m issue of partly paid long-dated stock—Exchequer 12 per cent 1998.

There had been expectation in the market of the announcement of a new tap stock, or possibly two today, after the exhaustion of both long and short taps earlier this week.

There was a favourable first reaction in the market. The authorities have pitched the stock just a little above present market levels. This and the length of the long tap were taken as signs of confidence.

The Government decided against issuing a short tap because the continued uncertainty over a possible rise in its minimum lending rate in the near future is unsettling the market.

A new short tap will probably be issued as soon as the market looks firmer. The Government is still hoping that its one point rise in the MLR announced in the Budget will prove to be enough for the time being.

Lists for the new long tap open next Thursday, April 27, with £30 per cent payable on application. The second payment of £35 per cent falls due on May 15, with the remainder to be paid on June 7.

Thus payments will fall due in the banking month of May, which began yesterday.

The Chancellor gave warning in his Budget speech that there would be pressure on the money supply in May.

At the £96 per cent offer price the new stock offers a gross redemption yield of 12.54 per cent and a flat yield of 12.5 1995 issued on January 12 this year.

Citibank to hold prime rate at 8 pc

From Frank Vogl
Washington, April 21

Citibank in New York today announced it was holding its prime commercial lending rate at 8 per cent, but it and many other banks are widely expected to move to higher prime levels within a couple of weeks, as the Federal Reserve Board appears to have taken modest steps to tighten its credit policies.

The announcement by the Treasury on Wednesday of new gold sales appears to have had short-lived effect and brokers and bankers in New York stressed that the main concerns now were on the trend of interest rates and congressional actions on tax and energy legislation.

They added that the Treasury's decision to sell just 300,000 ounces of bullion per month was unlikely to have a significant effect on the dollar but one trader noted that the dollar was already weakening before this afternoon.

However, this could be because of covering of positions before the weekend, rather than as a significant reaction prompted by the belief that the markets tended yesterday to exaggerate the importance of the gold sales announcement.

Several dealers did stress that the prospect of higher interest rates here, rather than the are gold sales, could result in some further strengthening of the dollar.

The interest rate outlook is mainly dominating the sights of stockbrokers in New York and fears of higher rates accounted to some extent for the Dow Jones index ending the day 1.74 down at 812.8.

The money supply rose quite sharply in the last statement week, but some bankers noted that the $2,100m (about £947m) rise in M1 was not as great as they had feared. All the same they now believe the Fed is determined to hold the annual rate of money stock growth to about 5 per cent on the M1 basis and this points clearly to higher interest rates.

Commission will keep watch on paint prices

By Patricia Tisdall

A continuing watch is to be kept on paint prices by the Price Commission after its long awaited report on the industry yesterday.

It found that prices charged by manufacturers give no cause for concern, but believes that the position might change if demand recovered.

A further survey of retail paint prices is to be carried out in May to see how far these have risen over the past 12 months.

Most of the big manufacturers have had increases of between 10 and 12 per cent passed since the autumn.

Also there are signs after over four years of stagnation of a recovery in consumer sales.

The Commission is also proposing to investigate ways of providing more information about paint prices to consumers.

Mr Michael Levete, Director of the Paintmakers Association, who has been asked by Mr Roy Hattersley, Secretary of State for Prices and Consumer Protection, to submit his observations on the report says the association would welcome the opportunity to work with the Commission on an investigation into how to improve communications with customers. "The industry is of course aware that some consumers have inadequate knowledge about paint", he says.

The main recommendation of the report is that manufacturers should offer the same price and terms to all their customers.

Wholesalers should similarly end the practice of issuing notional retail list prices.

Plasterboard inquiry: British Gypsum, a wholly-owned subsidiary of BPB Industries, the monopoly supplier of plasterboard in the United Kingdom, is to have its proposed price increase investigated by the Commission. It is seeking an average 8 per cent increase in the prices of its gypsum-related products.

Small investors' market share still declining

The decline of the small investor in stocks and shares continued last year. Personal sector holdings of company and overseas securities fell by £1,900m in 1977, with the bulk of the fall coming in the second half of the year.

Official figures for the financial accounts of the various sectors in the economy were published yesterday giving a breakdown of the change in assets and liabilities.

There was a record increase of £1,900m in personal holdings of national savings certificates.

Building societies have had more success than banks in winning new deposits from savers.

Further £4.8m on account for takeover of shipyards

By Ray Maughan

Payment of a further £4.8m on account has been authorized by the Government in respect of compensation for nationalization of the aircraft and shipbuilding industries.

In a written answer to a parliamentary question, Mr Gerald Kaufman, Minister of State for Industry, disclosed that Vickers Shipbuilding is to be paid £4m on account, Vosper (UK) will receive £650,000 and Scott Lithgow will be paid £150,000 in respect of their unquoted securities.

Mr Kaufman stressed that these payments, like the sum of £21.95m authorized in January, "are derived from a preliminary view of the Government's likely negotiating position on both the base value and any appropriate deductions under Section 39 of the Aircraft and Shipbuilding Industries Act 1977 relative to the companies in question.

"Since substantive negotiations have not yet begun in respect of these companies, it cannot be assumed that the final compensation settlement in a given case will bear any particular relationship to the payment on account."

Because certain financial issues are still unresolved, no payments on account have been authorized in respect of Scott Lithgow Drydocks and Vosper Shiprepairers.

Anglo-German economic quest at Chequers

By Melvyn Westlake

The quest for ways of combating the European economic recession will be rejoined over the weekend when Herr Helmut Schmidt, the West German Chancellor, arrives in London with the vanguard of a team of five ministers and the chief of the West German Federal Reserve Bank. He is coming for a day and a half of talks with Mr James Callaghan and other British ministers, including Mr Denis Healey, Chancellor of the Exchequer.

Almost inevitably, the discussions will be dominated by the search for a way out of the multitude of economic, financial and trade problems that are threatening the cohesion of the West.

The Prime Minister has recently played a leading role in efforts to forge an agreed strategy for international economic recovery. Attempts to resolve the differences between Chancellor Schmidt and President Carter over the dollar have taken Mr Callaghan to both Bonn and Washington in recent weeks, and led to the formulation of the Prime Minister's own five-point recovery plan.

This includes currency stability, economic growth targets, curbing trade protectionism, help for the developing countries, and action to deal with energy problems. The central difficulty in the past has been unwillingness by the United States to take forceful action to halt the downward spiral of the dollar on the currency markets, while the Germans have not been prepared to participate further in any joint action to stimulate the European economy.

However, there are signs that both sides are becoming more conciliatory. The United States has now taken some modest steps to defend its currency by announcing that it will sell gold. Such sales will funnel off some unwanted dollars, and might provide foreign exchange with which the dollar can be supported.

Although, in Whitehall, this action is not thought to be totally sufficient to do the job, it is regarded as a sign of thawing in the American position, characterized as one of "benign neglect" towards the fortunes of the dollar.

This latest United States action could help persuade the Germans to be more accommodating. The falling dollar has had the effect of driving up the value of the mark and, by damaging German export prospects, threatened growth and jobs.

This has stiffened the resistance of those officials in Germany who believe that further economic stimulus will only boost inflation. However, in Whitehall it is felt that a gradual evolutionary change can be detected in the position of Chancellor Schmidt.

He has undertaken to review the level of German growth soon to see whether the economy is on course to meet a target growth of 3½ per cent.

Herr Schmidt is scheduled to arrive at Northolt late tomorrow afternoon with Herr Hans Matthöfer, his Finance Minister and Dr Ottmar Emminger, President of the Federal Bank. They will dine at Chequers with Mr Callaghan, Mr Healey, Mr Harold Lever, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, and Mr Gordon Richardson, Governor of the Bank of England.

Other German ministers, including Dr Otto Graf Lambsdorff, the Economics Minister, will arrive later. A plenary session will be held at 10 Downing Street on Monday

Spain agrees to limit 1978 steel shipments to EEC

Brussels, April 21.—Representatives of the European Community and Spain have reached agreement in principle on an arrangement under which Spain will limit its steel shipments to the EEC this year, a European Commission spokesman said. Spain will observe certain minimum prices for its steel offered on the Community market.

The arrangement is to be completed next Monday by an exchange of letters in which the negotiated results are mutually recognized.

In the case of countries which have concluded bilateral arrangements on steel with the EEC, anti-dumping investigations that have been opened will be closed, the Commission said.

Michael Hornsby writes from Brussels: South Korea, Bulgaria, East Germany and Romania have been found guilty of dumping steel products in the EEC, and provisional anti-dumping duties imposed earlier in the year will be collected, the European Commission announced.

All four countries, the Commission said, had sold steel on the Community market at less than the "basic" import prices fixed by the EEC at the beginning of the year. These imports had caused "considerable injury" to the EEC steel industry, it was claimed.

Peter Hill writes: Prices paid by the British Steel Corporation and private sector steelmakers are not likely to rise much above £35 a tonne this year, according to a detailed study of the market published yesterday.

The survey produced by Jordan Dataquest, also suggested that exports by the scrap industry to Spain may not be as substantial in future. Spain is the principal export market for the United Kingdom scrap processing industry and accounted for over 50 per cent of the total exports last year.

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Commodities: Reuter's index was at 1457.5 (previous 1448.0).
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	Bank buys	Bank sells
Australia $	1.67	1.61
Austria Sch	28.75	26.75
Belgium Fr	61.75	58.25
Canada $	2.15	2.08
Denmark Kr	10.78	10.28
Finland Mkk	8.00	7.65
France Fr	8.75	8.38
Germany Dm	3.96	3.74
Greece Dr	70.00	66.00
Hongkong $	8.85	8.40
Italy Lr	1650.00	1565.00
Japan Yn	435.00	410.00
Netherlands Gld	4.22	3.99
Norway Kr	10.29	9.84
Portugal Esc	79.00	74.00
S Africa Rd	2.06	1.92
Spain Pes	150.00	143.00
Sweden Kr	8.80	8.40
Switzerland Fr	3.76	3.54
US $	1.88	1.82
Yugoslavia Dnr	36.75	34.75

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We criticize without exception the practice of dealing in a market by those with "inside" knowledge, before it becomes public. The privileged few gain at the expense of others.

Unfortunately, it appears the practice has been operating in the single premium bond sector of the life assurance industry. If, say, a property fund is valued monthly, it is the practice of some life offices to accept applications for bonds (and to settle with outgoing bondholders) on the basis of the last published value for the units.

This has the administrative advantage that everybody knows where they stand. With a known price, individuals can decide to buy or sell.

Sometimes, however, there can be quite sharp increases in unit price over a single month. It appears there have been cases where one or two individual companies (no doubt to encourage new business) have advised brokers, confidentially, a few days before units are revalued that the next published price for the units will be appreciably higher.

These brokers can then suggest to their clients that they buy bonds at the "old" price, thereby effectively starting with a built-in profit.

While one can see the advantages for the favoured few, this practice is to the detriment of existing bondholders and also, of course, those buying by paying regular monthly premiums.

One way to resolve the problem would be to say that all purchases and sales take place on the *following* valuation date, at whatever price is ruling at that time.

Taxation: readers ask

Gifts gains and books

This week I am reducing the pile of readers' letters waiting to be answered and hope to have deak with most of them by the end of this month.

● The first concerns estimated assessments. "I am self-employed, having two small shops. For the past three years I have paid estimated tax assessments. I was wondering if a claim for a refund could be made if I found I had paid too much tax during those three years."

Unfortunately, if an assessment is not appealed against within 30 days of its issue it becomes final. A late appeal will be accepted only if the Inland Revenue "is satisfied that there was a reasonable excuse for not bringing the appeal within the time limit".

Here is an example of heads the Inland Revenue wins, tails the taxpayer loses, because—looking at the other side of the coin—if the tax inspector could show that the profits were *understated* he is empowered to issue additional estimated assessments.

● The next inquiry is about the proposed sale of a house (which is not a main residence) between cousins at a price which will be below the market value. "The question is, would the tax inspector assess myself or my cousin on a true valuation for capital gains and capital transfer tax, and if so which of us would be liable?"

For capital gains tax the Inland Revenue can substitute market value for sale proceeds where the asset is acquired, in the words of the Act, "otherwise than by way of a bargain made at arm's length. . . ." Whether they do so will depend on whether the difference is significant. The seller is assessed to the tax.

So far as capital transfer tax is concerned the difference between market value and the sale proceeds could be deemed to be a gift unless it can be shown that it was not intended to confer any "gratuitous benefit" on the purchaser. Again, whether in practice this will be applied must depend on whether the difference between the two figures is significant.

If it is, remember that the first £2,100 of the difference is exempt (assuming the exemptions have not already been claimed), plus the previous year's £2,000 exemption if not already used. The donor or donee can pay the tax, but it is more beneficial for the latter to do so, because grossing up is avoided.

● Some weeks ago I wrote about a barrister who went to the Court of Appeal claiming capital allowance on his library and he emerged victorious. A vicar writes: "The practice of HM Inland Revenue has been to refuse to regard books purchased by the clergy as capital expenditure attracting a tax allowance. The exception has been in the case of Bibles and prayer books, but even in these days of continuous retranslation of Scripture and liturgical pamphlets reproducing like fruit-flies, this is hardly a significant concession.

"May I ask whether the decision in the case of Munby v Furlong in the Appeal Court, 1977, has the effect of altering the practice of the Inland Revenue, either from the date of the decision or from March, 1972?"

It is too early to say how liberally the Inland Revenue will allow this decision to apply to other cases, but doubtless they will not want it to be used too widely. A significant point is that the decision concerned a barrister in private practice. In other words, he was assessable under Schedule D, whereas clergymen are normally assessed under Schedule E. Because of this the Inland Revenue is unlikely to change its practice for my reverend reader.

● A reader tells me that: "Two years ago a property was left to me in a will which, for capital transfer tax, was valued at £15,500. At the moment I have a dependent relative living in the bungalow.

"When the property becomes vacant I understand that if I sell it immediately I will not have to pay capital gains tax on the excess of £15,500 because it has been occupied by a dependent relative, my mother.

"However, if I decide to let it furnished for a period and then sell it can I off-set the capital gain by selling at a capital loss some War Bonds and Consols also left to me in a will?"

It is certainly the case that, provided the dependent relative has lived in the bungalow rent-free for the whole period of the reader's ownership, the gain will not be taxable. If the bungalow is let for a period the overall gain (that is, from the date the property was inherited to the date of sale) will have to be apportioned so that only a proportion of the gain up to the time the dependent relative ceased to occupy—is tax free.

But to get to the reader's point, surprising though it may seem, she will not be able to offset a capital loss on her gilt-edged securities. The reason is that government securities are exempt from CGT with the twin result that gains are not taxable and losses are not allowable.

● Finally, a short query re CTT: "My business includes freehold property should I sell it worth around £60,000. To avoid capital transfer tax is it feasible for me to form a company for that amount and each year allocate shares to my three sons within the prescribed tax-free limits?"

Yes, this is a sensible way of taking advantage of the exemptions. Be sure, though, that you obtain a professional valuation of the shares before each gift to ensure that you do in fact keep within the limits.

Vera Di Palma



To him that hath shall be given.

Round-up

New funds for all seasons and places

Overshadowing the week was the good news from the unit trust industry that its gross sales were the highest for almost six years at £49.4m and that net new investment at £30.2m was the highest for over five years. In fact that figure has been excteded on only three other occasions during the great bull market of 1968-69.

Apart from the two new funds concentrating on the United States (see Margaret Drummond's article on page 19) there are other signs of renewed interests in established new funds.

Merchant .. Investors, the United Kingdom art of the giant Dutch insurer Nationale-Nederlanden, has just added two more to its repertoire which give it comprehensive coverage of the principal markets.

The International Equity fund which, as its name suggests, has the freedom to invest worldwide, will initially concentrate on United States holdings. The new International Managed Fund will invest in the International Equity fund but vary the mix by putting 30 per cent into the existing United Kingdom Property Fund.

King & Shaxson, the discount house which launched the concept of a managed gilt-edged fund, has established its latest fund in the island of Guernsey. The King & Shaxson Guernsey Gilt fund is the counterpart of King & Shaxson's funds in Jersey and Isle of Man and designed to placate the rivalry between the islands which prevents residents in one investing in a fund located in the other.

Merchant bank Brown Shipley is launching a sterling bond fund as a tax efficient vehicle for non-United Kingdom residents who wish to invest in a managed gilt-edged portfolio. It will be invested chiefly in gilts and be subject only to minimal Jersey tax on the fund. The estimated yield is 11 per cent and the income will be paid gross to investors. The minimum initial investment is £1,000.

Offers

A glance around these pages shouldn't leave anyone in any doubt that most fund managers think that now is a good time for the managed fund investor (be they unitholders, investment trust shareholders or bondholders) to establish a toe-hold in the United States.

If you like long established funds from the big unit trust groups then look at Save and Prosper's United States Growth Fund or alternatively Tyndall's London Wall International Fund. Arbuthnot Securities' American Fund has been restructured in the past 18 months while Framlington's American and General Fund is a completely new vehicle. Also new is the Hambro American Fund of Hambro Life for those who prefer the single premium bond route.

However, for those who want something completely different Chieftain has its High Income Trust on offer on the grounds that a more subdued domestic market has raised yields. And M & G still recommends its successful Recovery Fund.

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Whether this recent upturn in the market represents a brief rally only, or whether it heralds the beginning of a sustained bull market is difficult to determine at this time. Even so, it is our firm belief that the market is now towards the lower end of its present cycle and that, however the market reacts in the short term, the scope for capital gains is substantial in the medium term.

The reasoning behind this belief is that, although there are still a number of unsettling factors within the U.S. economy, they have been largely discounted in the present level of share prices. Despite the rise in recent days, shares are still selling at comparatively low levels in relation to companies' underlying assets and earnings. We therefore believe that Wall Street continues to be in a position to record an impressive performance. Furthermore, we believe that Save & Prosper United States Growth Fund with its current emphasis on the larger companies – which have led the recent upturn – is a particularly attractive way to invest in the American market.

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Safeguards. The trust is authorised by the Secretary of State for Trade, and is a "wider-range" investment under the Trustee Investments Act, 1961. The Trustee is Bank of Scotland who holds the title to the trust's investments on behalf of the unitholders.
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Please issue to me United States Growth Fund units to the value of £ _____ calculated at the offer price ruling on receipt of this application. (Minimum initial purchase £250, £50 for subsequent purchases.) A remittance is enclosed.

Mr/Mrs/Miss
Full Name(s)
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Address
Agent's Stamp

I declare that I am over 18 and am not resident outside the UK or other Scheduled Territories and that I am not acquiring the above units as the nominee of any person resident outside these Territories. (If you are unable to make this residential declaration it should be deleted and the form lodged through your UK bank, stockbroker or solicitor.)

Signature _____ Date _____

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trusts

...o west, new unitholder

...may have been a good ... for unit trust sales but ... a spectacular one for ... States funds. About half ... £50m that flowed into ...it trust coffers is estima... have been invested in the ...erican funds shown in the ...

...estors' timing has been ... It is roughly a fortnight ... the Dow Jones index took ... its swift and sharp climb ... the 740 level to which it ...steadily sunk during the ...18 months. It now stands ...around 815. Although ...managers are expecting a ..., the general feeling ... to be that there has been ...ome turning point on Wall ... The next three to five ... could be lucrative ones ...estors willing to take the ...

...lington's new American ... has collected £650,000 ... days of its launch. Fund ...ers everywhere are ...g under with cash to in... the United States. This ...Henderson is launching a ...rust, the Cabot American ...Companies Fund to ...ment its existing Hender... North American while ...Life is introducing a ...linked to its new Ameri...fund.

...ough it is the leaps and ... of the Dow Jones that ...steal the headlines, the ...

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...of the index is not as ...ant to the fortunes of the ...holder as he or she might ...

...is not just the complica... of currency fluctuations ...dollar premium but the ...that the Dow Jones only ...ants 30 stocks. The ...er based United States ...s have performed well ...much of the period that ...Dow Jones has been sink...

...table shows, for instance,

North American Funds	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977
Arbuthnot North American	−33.8	−23.7	19.9	10.8	−0.3
Britannia N. American	—	—	8.6	20.1	−0.8
Chieftain American	—	—	—	—	—
GT US & General	—	—	0.7	15.1	7.4
Gartmore American	—	—	—	11.0	−5.4
Grantchester	−16.0	−32.2	59.0	29.7	−13.2
Hambro Sec. of America	−19.4	−21.7	41.1	30.8	−11.0
Henderson N. American	—	15.4	11.4	26.6	−15.4
Hill Samuel Dollar	−13.7	3.8	38.5	30.7	−3.6
Lawson American	−21.6	−32.5	−1.0	34.8	−11.0
M & G American & General	−37.7	−35.5	63.9	49.2	−7.9
New Court Int.	−3.5	−18.3	8.3	0.7	−14.3
Piccadilly American	—	—	—	—	—
Ridgefield Int.	—	—	—	—	−5.3
Rowan American	—	—	—	—	—
S & P US	−29.9	−23.6	40.6	26.0	−16.1
Stewart American	−35.7	−57.4	73.0	39.1	3.0
Target Eagle	−29.1	−41.0	71.4	−6.4	15.5
Trident Am. Growth	—	—	30.7	19.3	−15.2
Unicorn America	—	—	30.6	21.6	−17.3
Average Performance	−24.2	−27.1	33.0	21.9	−6.5
Dow Jones index	−17.1	−26.2	+35.8	+16.4	−18.2
Value Line index	−36.4	−34.7	+38.3	+30.5	+0.6

...that last year the unit trust average fall was 6½ per cent, while the Dow Jones was down by 18 per cent.

Another index, the Value Line was fractionally up. This index has 1,600 stocks and is unweighted; this means that the smaller companies count for as much as the larger. Since the turn of the year it has been steaming ahead (up 5 per cent against the Dow's fall of 8 per cent) nicely, as have some unit trusts.

Since the start of 1978, for instance, Hambros Security of America has shown a gain of 10 per cent. Target Eagle, Arbuthnot North American, Henderson North American and Gartmore North American, have all registered good gains despite the poor performance of the Dow Jones.

There are, however, two distinct philosophies among managers about how to tackle United States investment.

Henderson, naturally enough, in view of the launch of its United States Smaller Companies Fund, is full of the joys of investing outside the leading stocks although a small company in American terms is a rather different animal from its United Kingdom equivalent. The manager of the new fund, Richard Henderson, is convinced that these stocks are in the long-term going to outperform the leaders and the better known shares.

A 12-year graph of the Value Line index relative to the Dow Jones and the Standard and Poors index, certainly shows greater volatility. Since peaking in 1969, it significantly underperformed the other two indices right up to 1977 when it started to do relatively much better. Another broader based index, the American Exchange, managed to hit a three year peak in February this year.

Bill Stuttaford at Framlington, tends to share the Henderson view on the virtues of smaller companies but also believes that the Dow Jones will fall below the year's 740 low before recovering again.

Other funds, however, are taking a different view. Save and Prosper and M & G contend that the United States institutions themselves are panicking to get their funds into the stock market. This means that it is the big institutional stocks that will show the greatest gains in the coming weeks.

American fund managers seem to live in constant fear of litigation. When the market goes down everyone wants to know why they are not liquid. So the change in sentiment on Wall Street caught managers in a state of high liquidity and consternation. The same investors will now want to know why with the market performing well their managers have so much uninvested cash.

Timing is of the essence to the United Kingdom fund manager too. Two weeks ago many of the United States funds were anything up to a quarter liquid because of the uncertainty of the United States market and the build up of funds for investment. For smaller funds the problem is not so intense.

Chieftain, for instance managed to halve its liquidity from a fifth to a tenth last week. Target's Eagle Fund showed a rise of over 15 per cent during 1977 because only 48 per cent of its portfolio was invested in the United States. But since the turn of the year it has built up its United States content to three-quarters of the fund.

It seems inevitable that there will be a hiccup on Wall Street which will send the Dow Jones down again. But the situation seems remarkably similar to the one experienced by our own stock market in 1975, when share prices zoomed upwards almost overnight as sentiment changed after a prolonged period of despair.

Margaret Drummond

New Court International Fund

United States of America -an opportunity to invest

Successful investment depends on correct timing. Recent press articles have argued that U.S. securities offer good value at current depressed prices. A recovery in prices could occur suddenly, as happened in the U.K. in 1975, and investors may wish to establish their position before a recovery takes place.

New Court International Fund now has over 80 per cent of its assets invested in the United States. The portfolio emphasises good quality companies with growth prospects, whose share prices are relatively low by historic standards.

About the Fund

New Court International Fund offers private investors a convenient way of investing in a portfolio which is professionally managed by Rothschild Asset Management and has National Westminster Bank as Trustee. The fund is authorised by the Department of Trade and qualifies as a 'wider range' investment under the Trustee Investments Act 1961.

How to Invest

To purchase units simply complete the application form opposite and send it with your cheque (minimum £500) to the address shown.

The units are valued, and may be bought and sold, daily at the prices shown in leading national newspapers. You should remember that the price of units and the income from them can fall as well as rise, and you should regard your units as a long term investment.

General Information

Income. The prime objective of the Fund is capital growth. In consequence the units issued are normally accumulation units. If however you prefer income to be paid to you, you should tick the box provided in the application form. On the basis of current dividend rates and the offer price of units at 13th April, 1978 of 54.8p, the annual gross yield of the Fund calculated in accordance with the Department of Trade formula is 1.9% per cent. Accumulations and distributions of income are made on 15th September in each year.

Accounts. The financial year of the Fund ends on 15th July, and audited accounts are normally circulated by 15th September. Half-yearly statements made up to 15th January are also circulated.

Charges. A preliminary charge of 3½ per cent is included in the buying price of units. The annual Management Fee is at the rate of ½ per cent. per annum plus V.A.T., based on the value of the deposited property.

Certificates.
The certificates for units issued will be posted to applicants at their own risk within 21 days of receipt of their application by the manager.

Taxation.

(a) Income. The tax credit relating to the distributable income of the Trust will cover unitholders' basic rate liability to income tax. For the purposes of calculating liability to investment income surcharge and higher rate of taxation, unitholders' income will be treated as the aggregate of the income accumulated or distributed, together with the related tax credit.

(b) Capital Gains. Based on the proposals announced in the recent Budget and subject to their enactment, the Fund will be liable to an effective rate of tax of 10 per cent on its realised capital gains. Unitholders will normally be entitled to a reduction in the amount of capital gains tax on their chargeable gains arising from a disposal of their units. The maximum amount of this relief for 1978-79 is currently 17 per cent of the total chargeable gains accruing from the disposal of such units.

New Court International Fund
Application Form

To: N. M. Rothschild Asset Management Limited, 72/80 Gresham Street, London, EC2P 2EB. (Regd. in England No. 827982).

I/We hereby apply to invest £..... in Units * of New Court International Fund at the price ruling on receipt of this application.
*(Accumulation Units will normally be issued. Please tick box for income units ☐)

I/We declare that I am/we are not resident outside the Scheduled Territories and that I am/we are not acquiring the units as the nominee(s) of any person(s) resident outside these territories. (As defined in the Bank of England's Notice E.C.D.)
(Applicants who are unable to make this declaration must delete it and arrange for the form to be lodged through an Authorised Depositary. Authorised Depositaries are informed that permission has been given by the Bank of England for such subscriptions to be made on behalf of non-resident clients, payment being effected in external sterling).

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estor's week

urry of interest in options

...option in ICI, Britain's ... company, by Mr Nicholas ..., the chairman of the ... Exchange, heralded the ... of the new traded ... market yesterday.

...the initial flurry of ..., which saw some 500 ... transacted in the first ... and a half, was virtually ...ly action in the equity ...

...options tended to ... equities throughout ... as brokers, fund man... and dealers left their ... attend seminars, meet... lunches on the new ...

...ough the *FT* Ordinary Index moved quite sharply ... the week—rising 8.1 in ...ession only to fall 6.8 in ...t—there was little trade. ...mber of bargains marked ...t manage to break the ...barrier in any of the five ... sessions and dealers ...see few signs of genuine ...interest.

By the close yesterday the *FT* index at 455 showed a rise of 7.6 on the week.

Gilts had a volatile time in the wake of the Budget and the Chancellor's comments on money supply and inflation. An upturn on Monday was reversed the following day in quiet trading, but on Wednesday, taking their cue from equities which had their best day since early January, gilts went ahead again and the Government Broker was able to activate both "taps". The short was exhausted during that session and the long within 10 minutes the following morning.

As expected, a replacement "tap" was announced after the market closed yesterday and was for £800m 12 per cent Exchequer 1998.

Government stocks were also helped towards the end of the week by an influential broker's bulletin somewhat less bearish than had been expected.

Despite some gloomy weekend comment the equity market managed to hold steady on Monday, helped by "bear" closing which saw some jobbers caught short of stock.

Following a boom on Wall Street, overnight shares shot ahead on Tuesday morning taking the index some 10 points ahead by lunch-time and giving a particular boost to investment trusts with strong American portfolios. However, the upturn could not be held and the index slipped back in dull afternoon trading.

The strength of the dollar premium, which touched 12½ at one stage before dropping back to 11½, helped such stocks as Phillips Lamp, RTZ and De Beers, which are regarded by some as a way into the American market.

On Wednesday shares went ahead again with "bear" closing and shortage of stock giving market leaders, such as Beecham 10p up at 632p and Glaxo 7p better at 535p, strong performances.

The discount houses also went better on the back of gilts while base and deposit rate increases helped the "big four" high street banks.

On Thursday, news that Plessey had lost an aircraft landing system contract put a brake on the share price while a Price Commission report on animal feedstuffs trimmed back Pauls & Whites and Bibby. A £32m rights issue from Turner & Newall knocked 13p off the shares at 173p.

Alison Mitchell

MAIN CHANGES OF THE WEEK

Year's low	Company	Movement	Comment
	Rises		
127p	Freemans	16p to 310p	Institutional buying
77p	Hampton Gold	27p to 125p	News of CCP stake
26p	Horizon Midland	12p to 101p	Dividend boosting rights issue
27p	Johnson Group	4p to 99p	Takeover speculation
115p	Wheatsheaf	18p to 200p	Hopes of rival bid
	Falls		
111p	BPB	3p to 213p	Price Comm scrutiny
33p	Collett Dickenson	2p to 56p	Inland Revenue investigation
175p	Libanon	80p to 560p	Falling gold price
130p	Turner Newall	20p to 169p	£32m rights issue
37p	Youghal Carpets	3p to 37p	Pre-tax loss

it trust performance

...and specialist funds (progress this year and the past three ...Unitholder index 2,124.7; change from January 1, 1978: 1.7%. ...change offer to bid, net income included, over past 12 months: ...over past three years: 47.8%.
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	A	B		A	B
...Smaller Co's	47.3	130.4	Lawson Growth	1.8	−9.7
...Smaller Sec	45.4	139.3	Coyne Growth	1.6	−16.3
...& Status Ch	43.0	58.2	Gartmore Comod Sh	−0.7	33.9
...Recovery	42.0	160.4	Midland Drayn Grth	−2.4	34.0
...Growth M	35.3	117.6	S & P Uuniversal Gr	−3.3	26.5
...ation Grwth	33.9	81.7	Royal Trust Cap	−6.5	17.8
...Recovery	33.3	19.2	**SPECIALIST**	**A**	**B**
...Special	30.8	96.9	Oceanic Financial	28.6	15.4
...Recovery	28.9	68.2	Henderson European	26.2	7.4
...y Capital	27.9	30.0	Key Fixed Interest	26.1	—
...ital	26.5	—	Midland Drayton Com	24.9	19.9
...Performance	26.0	49.2	London Wall Fin	19.2	30.2
...Recovery	25.8	125.7	Britannia Property	18.7	5.7
...Opportunity	25.5	72.2	Britannia New Issue	18.5	36.3
...Wall Spcl Sts	23.9	74.3	Oceanic Investment	18.4	24.9
...on Capital	23.5	67.4	Arbuthnot Fin & Prop	18.2	9.5
...ort Smal Cos	21.9	71.6	Lawson Gilt	18.2	29.2
...tion Internat	21.8	—	Target Investment	17.6	39.7
...Prof M	20.9	91.8	Britannia Fin Secs	16.8	—
...ot Growth	19.3	33.6	Lawson Raw Materls	16.6	—
...Gibbs Growth	17.1	—	Hill Samuel Fin	16.0	32.7
...s Professnal	17.0	32.0	Britannia Invest Trust	15.7	—
...Scottish Cap	16.8	35.7	M & G Far Eastern	15.5	45.7
...Growth	16.1	40.3	Target Financial	14.4	26.1
...apital	15.1	—	M & G Commodity	14.2	—
...Compound	15.0	41.8	Unicorn Financial	14.1	37.4
...Index	15.0	56.5	GT Japan & Gen	14.1	100.9
...Capital F	14.2	53.3	Arbuthnot Com Share	14.0	69.4
...UK Grwth Ac	13.8	21.2	Target Preference	13.9	56.9
...apital	13.6	57.3	National West Finan	13.8	16.0
...Capital	13.4	39.4	M & G Investment	13.7	45.8
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...ital	13.1	49.1	Target Eagle	12.5	25.6
...Accumulator	12.7	56.3	Arbuthnot N Am Int	12.3	1.1
...al Growth	12.7	35.8	Bishopsgate Int F	11.7	92.5
...ome Capital F	12.5	48.9	Charterhouse Fit	11.3	20.3
...Comy Growth	12.2	36.5	London Wall Inter	11.1	32.9
...apital	12.1	48.8	M & G Australasian	11.1	9.9
...l Growth	11.7	64.6	S & P ITU	11.1	32.2
...F	9.5	37.4	S & P Financial	11.1	33.6
...lers F	9.5	34.6	Henderson Internat	11.0	43.5
...ort Equity	9.4	34.7	S & P European	10.7	19.9
...Magnum	9.2	17.0	Allied Mtls Mins Com	10.6	26.3
...l Growth	9.0	—	Crescent Inter	10.3	48.1
...Comm & Ind	8.5	—	S & P Scottsts	10.3	21.1
...Trust	8.1	34.0	Abbey Investment	10.0	46.5
...Capital Acc	8.0	31.4	Practical	9.9	45.7
...Market Leaders	7.9	—	Security Select F	9.4	9.0
...Growth	7.6	37.1	Schroder Europe M	9.3	−9.0
...Shield	7.0	23.6	Charterhouse Euro	8.8	12.2
...rowth	5.7	40.1	Henderson Far East	8.5	83.1
...Dudley	4.9	21.9	Henderson Financial	8.4	5.5
...Select Internat	4.1	30.5	Arbuthnot Preference	8.3	41.5
...Drayton Cap	3.5	36.2	Arbuthnot Capital	8.2	8.9
...apital	3.5	43.9	Britannia Assets	8.1	31.4
...Insurance	3.2	26.3	London & Brussels	6.9	−5.4
...West Cap	2.1	27.6	Britannia Far East	6.8	19.3
			GT US & General	6.7	3.8
			J. & C International	6.7	35.3
			Britannia Com Shares	6.7	29.8
			S & P Commodity	6.6	37.1
			Target Gilt Fund	6.6	—
			Allied Hambro Pacific	6.4	69.0
			Target Commodity	6.3	48.8
			M & G Japan	6.2	63.0
			Key Energy	5.8	—
			Gt Winch Overseas M	5.8	48.6
			Gartmore International	5.2	23.2
			Endeavour	5.1	40.3
			Bridge International	5.0	29.3
			Mercury International	5.0	—
			Gartmore Far Eastern	4.4	—
			Hambro Overseas Earn	3.8	—
			Britannia Int Growth	3.3	16.3
			Unicorn Australia	3.2	16.8
			New Court Int	3.0	−4.9
			Hill Samuel Int	2.9	39.3
			Henderson Australian	2.2	−2.3
			Britannia Uni Energy	2.2	—
			M & G American	1.5	51.0
			Henderson Nat Resour	1.3	14.5
			S & P Japan Growth	1.3	60.7
			Hill Samuel Dollar	1.0	67.2
			Stewart American	1.0	38.1
			GT International	0.4	—
			Oceanic Overseas	0.3	−17.6
			Arbuthnot Foreign	−0.3	−1.0
			Britannia Minerals	−0.4	−60.2
			S & P Energy	−1.4	46.0
			Target International	−2.6	17.7
			Allied Hambro Int	−2.7	18.0
			M & G European	−4.0	6.7
			Gartmore American	−4.7	—
			Hambro Secs of Am	−5.3	33.1
			Charterhouse Inter	−5.3	31.6
			Rowan American	−5.3	−2.5
			Trident Inter	−6.0	−1.4
			Trident NII Yield	−6.0	—
			Grantchester	−6.6	17.0
			Britannia Gold & Gn	−6.6	−41.9
			Henderson N Amrcn	−7.0	8.9
			Lawson American	−7.7	−2.9
			Britannia North Am	−8.1	10.3
			Unicorn America	−8.2	16.4
			S & P US Growth	−8.4	20.6
			Unicorn Worldwide	−8.9	11.4
			Midland Drayton Int	−9.8	19.0
			Ridgefield Internat	−10.3	—
			Chieftain American	−11.6	—
			NPI Overseas	−11.7	2.6
			Chieftain Internat	−11.9	—
			Trident American	−13.3	−4.2
			Antony Gibbs F E	−14.1	—

A: Change since April 21, 1977, offer to bid, income reinvested.
B: Change since April 17, 1975, offer to bid, income reinvested.
Both taken to April 20, 1978.
M: Trust valued monthly.
F: Trust valued every two weeks.

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Over the years we shall seek to ensure that the income you receive grows. Furthermore, while a high income is the main purpose of the Trust, it is an historical fact that high income unit trusts have often been some of the best vehicles for capital growth.

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INVESTMENT PROSPECTS

The funds of Chieftain High Income Trust are invested in high yielding stocks and shares. Our policy is that by far the greater part of the Trust's funds are invested in high yielding ordinary shares. Holdings of preference shares will not exceed 20%. More than this would, we believe, restrict opportunities for growth.

In order to minimise risk, the portfolio is spread over about 100 U.K. companies. Our investment managers monitor the progress of these companies very carefully—as the Trust's performance to date clearly shows.

The financial situation of the country has improved considerably over the last two years. As North Sea oil has begun to make a positive contribution to the balance of payments, sterling has strengthened, interest rates have fallen, and company profits have improved. Inflation has been reduced to single figures.

Chieftain's managers believe that in the long term the wealth generated by North Sea oil will continue to play a considerable part in the recovery of the U.K.'s economy from what is still a very depressed level of activity.

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SHARE EXCHANGE SCHEME

If you wish to realise a part of your portfolio and invest in Chieftain High Income Trust, the Managers can arrange to sell your present shares for you, and will absorb all the usual expenses of the transaction. This can give you a worthwhile saving. The minimum purchase through the Share Exchange Plan is £500. Tick the box in the coupon for full details.

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The Trustee of Chieftain High Income Trust is Midland Bank Trust Company. The main duties of the Trustee are to hold the title to the Trust's investments, and to check that all purchases made by the Trust are in accordance with the Trust deed; to ensure that the income is distributed to the unitholders properly; and to approve advertising and literature.

TAX ADVANTAGES

You can sell your units on any normal working day at the prevailing bid price. You will normally receive a cheque within seven working days of receipt of your renounced certificate.

The 1978 Finance Bill proposes that unit trusts will pay tax on capital gains at the privileged rate of only 10%.

When you sell units it is proposed that you will receive a tax credit of 10% against Capital Gains Tax. The Managers interpret this to mean that on unit trusts you should have no tax to pay on profits up to £3,000 on sales in any one year, and your maximum liability is limited to 20% of your gain. On sales before 5th April 1979 the tax credit will be even higher if the proposals become law.

CLOSING DATE

Until 28th April, units will be available at a fixed price of 42.2p xd each. Your application will not be acknowledged, but you will receive a certificate by 9th June 1978.

Fill in the coupon, or talk to your financial adviser without delay.

GENERAL INFORMATION

The offer will close if the underlying price of units should differ from the fixed price by more than 2½%. After 28th April 1978 units will be available at the daily quoted price and yield published in most newspapers.

Chieftain High Income Units were first offered on 6th September 1976 at 25p each.

There is an initial management charge of 5% included in the price of units. There is also an annual charge of ½% (plus VAT) which has been allowed for in the quoted yield.

The Managers will pay the standard rates of commission to recognised professional advisers, who are invited to ring 01-248 3612 for further details of High Income and other Chieftain trusts.

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Banks

Increased charges get the green light

It is beginning to look as though Ogden Nash's view that "bankers are like other people only richer" will have to be revised.

Having been for many years everyone's favourite Aunt Sally in the 1960s for their "soporific" attitude to business (the Monopolies Commission's words not mine) and in the 1970s for their mushrooming profits and deteriorating service—the high street banks at last found an apologist this week in the shape of the Price Commission.

Far from being Scrooges who tuck away in their parlours everincreasing profits and in the same breath bemoan the fact they are not making enough to keep the wolves at bay, the commission has found that the banks were not, after all, charging customers enough for the services they provide.

It has, it is true, criticized the banks' occasional closed shop attitude and the lack of flexibility on opening hours, but that apart pretty much everything is fine.

The outcome of the report will certainly be an increase in bank charges for personal customers. Only Lloyds has so far said it was considering an immediate increase in charges while the other big banks are chewing over the implications of the commission's findings.

The commission has not been quite so magnanimous as to rubber-stamp an immediate across-the-board rise in bank charges. What it wants to see is fairly radical reform of the whole method of charging customers.

The aim is not simply to allow banks to pass on more fully and equitably to customers the costs of the money transmission service but also to permit competing institutions like National Giro and the Trustee Savings Banks to develop alternative banking systems. Since the high street banks dropped their charges in 1973 as a way of working off the high profits they were making at the time, all sorts of distortions have crept in which *inter alia* have put the others on an unequal footing.

In essence, the commission wants to see the banks recognize that money left in current accounts is lent on at a profit and this should be reflected in the charges made on current accounts. This, the commission suggests could be achieved in two ways.

One would be to start paying interest on current accounts. Alternatively the banks should be more flexible in the off-setting system they now operate to take account of the fact that interest rates move up and down. At the moment, there is no incentive for customers to use their accounts economically over and above that required to qualify for free banking.

The inescapable effect of this is that we will all have to start using bank services more sparingly than we do at the moment—or pay more for the privilege. With present tariff structures between 60 and 70 per cent of all personal customers pay no charges at all with the big four banks.

Using Price Commission figures that personal customers chip in 23 per cent of the total £217m revenue from money transmission, that leaves around six million of the big four's 18 million account holders paying an average of just over £8 a year in bank charges in 1977.

To get back to the level where charges contributed to overall income in 1972 and take account of the sharp rise in operating costs since then, the average customer ought to be paying around four times the level he or she is at the moment. It costs 25p to process a cheque and the average customer cashes 100-120 a year.

However, interest outcome on current account balances, ranging between £150 to as much as £270 at Lloyds, could offset a quarter or a half so that customers who pay charges need not be faced with a four-fold increase in charges, merely one, two or three times higher.

But of course, competitive pressures will never allow the banks to raise charges by anything like this amount. What apears most likely is that the banks will try to charge fully for the other services they provide, some of which are still provided free of charge. A £1 charge for cheque guarantee cards could be worth around £5m, while several European countries already charge for credit cards.

But the broad message is that the days are now past when customers could stroll into their bank and take advantage of a range of free services; from now on he is likely to find his bank manager as mercenary as his local garage.

Customer resistance is of course the trump card and it is interesting to see how quickly National Westminster dropped an idea at the end of the 1960s that its manager's time was worth £6 an hour. Midland Bank Trust Company, though, have just said it will be charging a minimum £25 an hour for personal financial planning advice.

The banks are all trying hard to develop systems to make the cheque redundant but in the meantime one quick way round writing several small cheques would be to use credit cards and settle up with one large cheque at the end of the month.

Meanwhile, this week's rise in bank base rates heralds the end of the cheap money era and while sharp rises in rates later this year are unlikely (unless sterling goes through the floor) borrowers should be thinking of taking advantage of current rates on personal loans from the banks.

Ronald Pullen

TARIFFS FOR PERSONAL ACCOUNTS

	Minimum balance for free banking	Charge per debt if balance below minimum
Barclays	£100 min. or £200 avg.	10p
Lloyds	£150 avg.	9p
Midland	£50	9p
Natwest	£50	10p
Bank of Scotland	£50	8p
Clydesdale	Nil (1)	7p
Royal Bank of Scotland	£50	8p
Ulster	£50	5p
Coutts	£500 avg.	£30 pr. yr.
Williams & Glyn's	£50	(2)
Yorkshire	£50	9p
Co-operative	Nil (1)	9p (1)
Trustee Savings Banks	£50	2½p

(1) No charges are made if the account remains in credit.
(2) Williams & Glyn's charge 6p for automated transactions and 9p otherwise.
Source: Price Commission Survey.

Motor insurance

Warranted intrusion into car market

One of the biggest problems facing motorists is how to pick up the tabs for replacing defective parts once the manufacturer's or dealer's warranty has expired.

From the individual's point of view it is, one feels, an ideal market for the insurance industry to penetrate. Yet none of the big names has made a step in this direction. A number of schemes are available but generally only through car manufacturers, finance houses and motor dealers. Some dealers, when selling a car, give this type of insurance as a "free extra", or at least subsidize the cost.

It has been difficult to discover the exact cost and it has not been possible to shop around, as most of the business has been conducted through dealers rather than with the general public.

It has been said that some operators of these schemes have had departments engaged in trying to find loopholes in the small print so as to allow them to turn down claims. Certainly, on many occasions, motorists have had grounds to criticize the "small print".

But this week the Automobile Association has put its reputation at stake by launching its own extended warranty insurance scheme—broadly to cover the cost of replacing or repairing certain defective or broken mechanical or electrical parts after the expiry of the dealer's or manufacturer's warranty.

It is a pity that it could not interest a well-known British insurer. As it is, the scheme is insured with New Hampshire Insurance Company, part of the big United States group, American International Underwriters.

The AA will be handling both the acceptance of business and the settlement of claims.



An AA engineer inspecting a vehicle.

This insurance is available direct from the AA or through certain dealers. The price is £49.50, which is not the cheapest in the market, but the AA aims to be fair to those who insure.

All new cars qualify for the scheme. Used cars, also, can be insured, whether already owned and being driven, or being bought privately or through a dealer.

For new cars driven less than 1,000 miles and insured within one month of purchase, no special inspection is necessary and cover is provided for two years after the expiry of the manufacturer's warranty period, provided that warranty does not exceed 12 months.

For used cars under five years old and driven fewer than 50,000 miles, the cover runs for two years from the start of the policy, but excludes claims occurring during the period of the dealer's warranty—or the first 30 days, whichever is the longer. A survey of the mechanical parts of the car has to be made before this cover will be given. It will be carried out by an AA engineer or an engineer appointed by the AA, at a cost of £12 to members or £15 to non-members.

If, however, the AA has been asked to inspect a car before purchase, that report is acceptable, so long as cover is requested within 14 days the inspection.

Used cars up to two yea old will be accepted witho an inspection, at an additio cost of £10, but the poli excludes claims occurring du ing the first three months.

The insurance stipulates th the car must be serviced accordance with the manuf turer's recommendation, b (unlike some schemes) there freedom to choose who sha carry out the servicing. Th insurance allows a service be up to 500 miles or 14 da after the due date.

There is a £10 excess at the maximum amount whic can be claimed over the wio policy ranges from £1,000 £700, depending on the mile when the insurance is arrange The maximum amount payab per breakdown reduces as m milage increases.

For instance, up to 31,0 miles up to £350 per clai will be paid, reducing to £1 if the milage at the time the breakdown is more th 65,000.

The aim of the policy is exclude ordinary wear a tear, but it is the intention pay for breakdown or failu of the various parts as specifi in the policy.

Anybody who does not l the look of the policy can se it back within 10 days for full refund—provided no cla has been made.

About 300,000 motorists a insured through Automob Association Insurance Servic The organization has a go reputation with the insura with which it places busine and members can take hei from the fact that insurers fi that, overall, the claims exp ence of AA members is bet than of their policyholders a whole.

John Drummon

Deep freeze treatment for men—if not machines

I have a system with newspaper cuttings. There are three folders marked "dull", "funny" and "peculiar" into which they are temporarily filed. Each folder has two compartments, one for the present three months and the other for the past three.

On the last day of the current quarter the cuttings from the previous quarter are analysed. Some 90 per cent of them turn out to be irrelevant after all and are thrown away, but the other 10 per cent are refiled under another system of headings kept frightfully efficient, and never looked at.

One special cutting from the "peculiar" folder caught my eye while I was engaged in this clearing out process the other day, the headline being—"Men cleared of trying to trick a machine". The story concerned five men who were found not guilty at Stratford magistrates court of trying to trick a car park barrier by tucking their cars behind other people's and creeping under it without paying.

They had been accused of "dishonestly obtaining a pecuniary advantage by deception", but the police withdrew charges on the basis that you cannot actually deceive a machine at all. In law, deceit can only be practised upon a human mind. Which is good news for all those who feed parking meters with beer-can pull-openers, get three people through the entry gates on the London Underground on one ticket and persuade a computer to pay £444,444.44 instead of £4.44 into their bank account.

I assume it was the case that the men were charged under the wrong section of the Act rather than that the law now finds itself powerless to deal with any form of roguery involving machines. However, as I have claimed before, the law, beside which a snail is positively in orbit, is in no way attuned to the kind of lives we are going to lead in the future. Its provisions are simply not in gear with the technological advances we must meet and accept in the last two decades of this century.

Take cryogenics. Any time now it will be possible to freeze someone suffering from what is now an incurable disease and keep them hibernating away for a few years until a remedy for it has been found and they can have a head transplant or whatever. Rumour has it that one very well-known showbiz name has just had this done and is lying in a state of suspended animation ready to pop out again and wow our grandchildren in 50 years or so. Certainly puts an edge on to the business of constantly coming out of retirement.

But imagine what confusion this will cause with his life assurance, pension, probate, even income tax returns, already. It is enough to make the Lord Chancellor's wig stand on end. Actually, this enforced hibernation technique has its positive spin-offs, too—it could be used to solve the unemployment problem for example.

If people are being frozen to give science time for a cure to be found for their disease, they could also be frozen for economics to find a job for them. They could even perhaps be trained in their sleep by soothing tape recorders and brought up to date with subliminal news so that they automatically know what is going on when they wake up again, unlike Rip van Winkle.

Probably the whole idea is part of a vast plot, though an inhuman plot. Like Samuel Butler in *Erewhon* I subscribe to the theory that man's relationship to the machine is like that of a bee to a flower—that we are merely part of their reproductive process. As they get more and more complicated and more and more capable of doing things for themselves, they are going to require less and less of us.

They therefore will eventually find it to their advantage if the human race was kept out of trouble in a temporarily frozen state, to be brought back to life if required when the machines want us to start an evolutionary mutation by developing them in a different direction or something.

Already Stock Exchange computers all over America talk together, after all. And East and West technology each vies with the other in the weapons race—as it were in electronic arm wrestling. Do not for a moment think that this is Russia and America arguing though—it is two banks of computers, that is all.

Any minute now they will not need us any more and will be able to fight by themselves.

Well, in the other war, the one between men and machines, one of our main weapons must be that the law is on our side. After all, since as things stand it is impossible to deceive a machine, presumably a machine cannot practise deceit. But once they have acquired this human characteristic, then we are really in trouble.

Francis Kinsman



"... frozen for economics to find a job for them."

Investment trust valuations

Total assets less current liabilities £m (a)	Company	Date of valuation	Annual dividend	Net asset value after deducting prior charges at nominal value (a)	Net asset value after deducting prior charges at market value (a)	Investment currency premium (g)
	Pence except where £ stated (see note d)					
	VALUATION MONTHLY					
148.9	Alliance Trust	31.03.78	7.1	276.6	264.6	33 4
83.0	Anglo-Amer Sec Cp	31.03.78	3.0	122.3	128.1	16.2
†	British	31.03.78	†	†	†	†
25.9	Capital and Nat ..	31.03.78	*4 0	160.5	163.2	17.7
10.0	Claverhouse	31.03.78	3.8	99.8	99.8	0.2
10.0	Crossfriars	31.03.78	3.3	99.7	99.7	—
15.4	Dundee and London	31.03.78	2.3	81.8	83.4	5.9
†	Edinburgh	31.03.78	6.75	†	†	†
42.7	First Scot Am Tst	31.03.78	2.85	116.5	118.4	15 8
11.5	Grange	31.03.78	2.1	97.8	101.9	5.8
67.6	Great Northern ..	31.03.78	3.87	132.2	134.7	9.6
†	Guardian	31.03.78	†	†	†	†
86.5	Investment Tst Cor	31.03.78	5.915	257.2	262.8	36 9
79.0	Investors Cap ..	31.03.78	1.65	97.1	102.5	15.1
21.2	Jardine Japan ..	31.03.78	0.85	190.5	190.5	49.3
†	London & Holyrood	31.03.78	†	†	†	†
†	London and Mont	31.03.78	†	†	†	†
†	London & Provincial	31.03.78	†	†	†	†
103.3	Mercantile	31.03.78	1.25	*50.9	55.5	2.7
	Conv Debs 1983 .	31.03.78	£4.50	£77.90	£83.20	£4.10
26.7	North Atlantic Sec	31.03.78	2.7	115.0	117.8	13.9
50.3	Northern American	31.03.78	2.85	123.2	126.4	17.2
7.5	Save & Prosper ..	31.03.78	—	156.8	156.8	—
‡115.8	Scottish	31.03.78	2.56	122.8	126.7	15.9
†	Scottish Northern	31.03.78	†	†	†	†
98.6	Scottish United ..	31.03.78	ac1.5	ac89.2	ac92.0	ac16.9
48.9	Second Alliance ..	31.03.78	5.85	235 3	243.3	28.9
†	Shires	31.03.78	†	†	†	†
40.2	Sterling	31.03.78	5.3	221.1	227 6	25.8
26.1	Technology	31.03.78	2.25	129.8	131.0	15.3
71.4	United British	31.03.78	3.975	159.2	160.4	18.1
20.6	United States Gen	31.03.78	5.84	249.7	249.9	29.3
83.7	United States Deb	31.03.78	3.52	114.4	118.5	14.1
	Conv Loan 1993 ..	31.03.73	£5 00	£125.90	£130.30	£16.50
	Baillie Gifford					
†	Scottish Mortgage	31.03.78	†	†	†	†
55.3	Monks	31.03.78	1.4	63.6	64.2	7.2
14.0	Wintonbottom	31.03.78	4.8	247.2	256.2	34.9
	Baring Bros					
†	Outwich		†	†	†	†
23.4	Tribune	28.03.78	13.0	880.1	882.5	134.6
	East of Scotland Inv Managers					
42.5	Aberdeen	31.03.78	5 05	174.2	183.6	16.7
	Edinburgh Fund Managers					
59.3	American	31.03.78	*1.35	56.4	58.4	5.0
17.2	Crescent Japan ..	31.03.78	—	222.9	222 9	53.7
	Electra House Group					
†	Electra	31.03.78	4.3	†	†	†
230.4	Globe	28.02.73	4.1	134.9	136.3	7.1
	Conv Loan 1987/91	28.02.78	£5.50	£110.80	£111.10	£5 80
	Conv Loan 1985/90	28.02.78	£6.25	£155.20	£155.60	£6.10
35.4	Temple Bar	31.03.78	9.5	232.6	237.0	7.1
	Conv Loan 1985/90	31.03.78	£5.75	£132.50	£135.10	£4.00
	Conv Loan 1987/91	31.03.78	£6.00	£100.00	£101 90	£3.00
	F & C Group					
18.1	Alliance	31.03.78	2 45	132.4	136.5	13.8
21.9	Cardinal	31.03.78	3.9	146.3	151.4	18.6
	Conv Loan 1985/87	31.03.78	£5.00	£118.50	£122.60	£11.00
6.6	F & C Eurotrust ..	31.03.78	0.85	67.5	67.5	12.8
172.8	For & Colonial ..	31.03.78	3.77	211.4	218.3	32.3
†	General Investors	31.03.78	†	†	†	†
	James Finlay Inv Management					
1.7	Prov Cities Trust	31.03.78	1.3978	34.9	34.9	—
	Gartmore Investment Ltd					
†	Altifund	31.03.78	7.2	†	†	†
	.....	31.03.78	0.36	†	†	†
25.0	English & Scottish	31.03 78	1.6	57.0	58.8	4.5
25.0	English Scottish	31.03.78	*2.45	89.0	94.4	4 3
7.0	Group Investors .	31.03.78	1.7	75.2	78.4	6.6
4.6	London & Gartmore	31.03.78	0.5	83.3	86 6	7.6
†	London & Lennox	31.03.78	*2.1	†	†	†
21.6	London & Lomond	31.03.78	2.4	94.2	96.6	7.1
10.1	Ldn & Strathclyde	31.03.78	1.375	51.1	54.8	5.5
11.4	Meldrum	31.03.78	1.85	56.4	56.4	0.3
6.1	New York & Gart	31.03.78	0.4	35.7	35.7	4.4
	Gartmore Investment (Scotland)					
70.1	Scottish National ..	31.03.78	3.45	185 8	188.4	23.7
17.0	Glasgow Stockholdrs	31.03 78	2.4	128.7	132.7	16.6
	John Govett & Co					
80.6	Border & Southern	31.03.78	7.5	386.2	393.1	41.2
35.7	Debenture Corp .	31.03.78	ac2.4	ac83.4	ac85.2	ac5.7
11.6	Gen Stockholders	31.03.78	1.7	139.6	150.3	21.3
20.6	Govett European ..	31.03.78	1.8	84.3	84.3	8.0
58.7	Lake View	31 03.78	†	120.2	123.8	12.9
	Conv Loan 1973/98	31 03 78	£4 00	£160.30	£165.10	£17.20
‡59.5	Stockholders .	31.03 78	2.05	123.8	128.2	14.6
	GT Management					
17.1	Berry	31.03.78	0.875	83.6	83.6	4 3
	Conv Loan 1993 ..	31.03.78	£4.25	£121.20	£121.20	£6.30
‡17.3	GT Japan	31.03.78	1 0	173.8	173.8	27.0
	Conv Loan 1987 ..	31 03.78	£2.50	£107.70	£107.70	£16.80
6 8	Northern Securities	31.03 78	3 0	149.7	155.1	15.0
	Hambros Group					
†	Bishopsgate	31.03.78	5.25	†	†	†
†	City of Oxford ..	31.03.78	3.0	†	†	†
†	Hambros	31.03.78	3.25	†	†	†
‡6.5	Rosedimond	31.03.78	—	110.8	110.8	2.5
	Henderson Administration					
‡128.1	Witan	31.03.78	*2.1	*116.0	120.6	*14.9
20.4	Electric & Gen ..	31.03.78	1.45	95.6	96.7	13.0
6.4	Greenfriar	31.03.78	1.45	117.2	117.2	13.8
6.6	Lowland	31.03.78	2.1	64.8	64.8	2.3
2.2	English National	31.03.78	1.74	33.0	33.9	—
		31.03.78	2.06	67.1	60.6	—
19.5	**Philip Hill (Management)** City & Internat ..	31.03.78	4.07	122.5	127.0	8.6
10.8	Gen & Commercial	31.03.78	5.82	169.4	178.6	10.3
22.3	Gen Consolid	31.03.78	3.75	103.9	106.6	5.3
125.5	Philip Hill	31.03.78	†	225.2	229.0	7.1
5.0	Moorgate	31.03.78	3.055	98.1	100.3	1.5
37.0	1928	31.03.78	†	256.4	265.0	25.4
	Industrial & Commercial Fin Corpn					
†9.5	London Atlantic ..	31.03.78	†	†74.2	†75.5	†3.9
5.4	North British Can	31.03.78	2.7	71.8	71.8	0.8
	Ivory & Sime					
42.0	Atlantic Assets ..	31.03.78	0.4	126.9	133.2	24.1
103.7	British Assets ..	31.03.78	2.2	86.7	92.5	13.7
35.7	Edin Amer Assets	31.03.78	1.1	132.0	135.0	29.3
†	Viking Resources	31.03.78	†	†	†	†
	Keyser Ullman					
11.3	Throg Sec Growth	31.03.78	—	—	158.5	—
39.1	Throgmorton Trust	31.03.78	4,375	83.3	85.1	—
	Kleinwort Benson					
26.3	British American ..	31.03.78	1.65	50.5	51.5	3.1
20.8	Brunner	31.03.78	3 55	124.1	126.7	8.9
30.8	Charter	31.03.78	2.15	70.6	72.6	5.1
40.4	English & NY ...	31.03.78	2.6	94.2	95.8	2.0
4.0	Family Investment	31.03.73	3.85	91 0	91.0	0.1
2.9	Jos Holdings ...	31.03.78	2.04	58.1	58.1	2.0
5.9	London Prudential	31.03.78	2.75	94.0	96.5	7.0
47.9	Merchants	31.03.78	2.6	88.6	91.8	9.9
	Lazard Bros & Co					
50.8	Rasburn	31.03.78	3.7	162.2	168.1	20.1
39.5	Romney	31.03.78	2.65	114.9	117.2	14.2
	Martin Currie & Co					
†	Canadian & For ..	31.03.78	†	†	†	†
19.4	St Andrew ...	31.03.78	4.15	152.7	157.5	17.5
96.0	Scottish Eastern ..	31.03.78	4.05	166 6	172.3	24.3
†	Scottish Ontario ..	31.03.78	†	†	†	†
†	Securities of Scot	31.03.78	†	†	†	†
3.1	Western Canada ..	31.03.78	16.0	712.8	714 0	96.5
	Murray Johnstone					
44.5	Caledonian	31.03.78	*1.6	96.9	102.2	16.8
67.6	Clydesdale	31.03.78	*1.675	95.3	97.9	16.3
16.2	Glendevon	31.03.78	*1.65	122.1	124.5	22.6
6.5	Glenmurray	31.03.78	*1.7	95.2	95.2	15.1
17.4	Scottish & Cont ..	31.03.78	1.2	81.9	81.9	15.2
75.0	Scottish Western	31.03.78	*2.2	117.9	123.6	19.8
24 3	Second Gl Northern	31.03.78	*1.75	107.7	111.1	12.7
	Schroder Wagg Group					
20.6	Ashdown	31.03.78	4.05	175.5	182.0	20.9
	Conv Loan 1988/93	31.03.78	£4.75	£122.90	£127.40	£14.30
7.0	Australian & Int ..	31.03.78	2.7	116.1	116.1	19.1
29.2	Broadstone	31.03.78	5.15	191.3	198.6	21.9
	Conv Loan 1988/93	31.03.78	£4.50	£127.50	£132.40	£14.00
‡46.7	Continental & Ind	31.03.78	5.75	246.0	256.8	15.4
29.1	Trans-Oceanic ..	31.03.78	5.0	222.2	228.4	27.8
	Conv Loan 1988/93	31.03.78	£4.50	£138.80	£142.70	£17.40
12.9	Westpool	31.03.78	2.65	134.5	137.7	16.1
	Conv Loan 1988/94	31.03.78	£5.00	£121.00	£123.90	£14.50
	Stewart Fund Managers					
73.6	Scottish Amer ..	31.03.78	2.5	104.2	105.5	6.7
†	Scottish European	31.03.78	†	†	†	†
	Touche Remnant					
98.4	Atlas Electric	31.03.78	1.6	78.8	81.7	5.0
30.4	Bankers'	31.03.78	2.3	71.5	76.2	5.3
30.9	Cedar	31.03.78	2.5	86.3	88.7	6.5
39.6	City of London Brewery	31.03.78	2.4	75.4	79 8	1.5
29.2	Continental Union	31.03.78	2.85	151.5	157.0	14.2
15.2	C.I.R.P.	31.03.78	1.9	88.5	92.7	7.0
168.7	Industrial & Gen ..	31.03.78	1.43	97.4	98.5	5.4
36.4	International	31.03.78	2.62	97 1	102.2	7.9
50.6	Sphere	31.03.78	2.9	145.6	151.1	13.3
61.0	Trustees Corp	31.03.78	4 0	179.5	185.2	10.0
34.0	Trust Union	31.03.78	2.8	134.5	138.7	8.2
	Williams and Glyn's Bank					
‡14.0	Sizewell European	31.03.78	1.5	101.1	101.1	11.5
3.6	Atlanta Baltimore & Chicago	31.03.78	0 5	63.6	63.6	4.3
4.1	West Coast & Texas	31.03.78	0.75	78.0	78.0	6.7
	VALUATION THREE-MONTHLY					
†	General Scottish	31.03.78				
	Conv Loan 1995/2000	31.03 78	†	†	†	†
27.0	Hume	31.03.78	*5 625	87 6	x91.3	0.7
5.8	Kingsida	31.03.78	2.25	59.2	59.2	0.2
5.1	Lancashire & Lond	31.03 78	1.8	51.3	51.8	1.8
15.4	River Plate & Gen	31.03.73	6.25	181 7	186.3	7.0
10.8	Safeguard Indust	31.03.78	3.6	92.4	94.0	—
8.3	Scottish Cities ..	31.03.78	8.0	243.5	245.5	5.5
8.2	Wemyss	31.03.78	10.75	362.8	262.8	43.0
15.4	Yeoman	31.03.78	7.58	216.7	224.8	11.4
	Conv Loan 1993 .	31.03.78	£4.50	£120.80	£123.60	£6.30
	East of Scotland Inv Managers					
10.4	Dominion & Gen ..	28.02.78	6.75	222.4	231.9	23.1
26.2	Pentland	28.02.78	4.05	138.9	143.2	15.6
	Rivermoor Management Services					
13 8	Moorside	31.03.78	4.75	114.9	118 8	8.3
30.1	River & Mercantile	31.03.78	8.125	213.9	222 3	4.1

* Applies to Ordinary/"A" ordinary only; ac adjusted for scrip issue; ar adjusted for rights issue; † company will announce year end or interim results shortly; x convertibles stocks are treated as fully converted at the rate for next conversion date, or where a figure is marked x as prior charges; w warrants or subscription rights are treated as exercised, except where a figure is marked w; ‡ valuation two monthly; na not available; @ including special dividend; ◆ not directly comparable with previous published figure; § figures not published due to proposed merger; B dependent on B share conversions; ‡ changes in prior charges since previous published figure; g the amount per share/stock unit represented by 100 per cent of the investment currency premium applid in calculating market and net asset values. a takes account of the reduction in the rat of tax on realised chargeable gains from 17% to 15% as proposed in the Budget.

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ial Editor

rerday's final figures from rson, the industrial holdroup in which the Pearson y still holds around 45 ent of the capital, were ly better than outside ates. They would have a good deal better but disappointing performance the Pearson Longman pubg business and special 's affecting the North ican interests of the Mid-Corporation.

ributable pre-tax profit Pearson is £33.28m, an rement of 16.6 per cent, he pace slowed in the d half when Pearson nan profits, which had well up in the first six s, fell back by around 5 nt. The problem was not vspapers, where, despite problems, the *Financial* increased profits from to £3.4m and Westminress contributed a third profit at £5.97m, but in back book publishing. Longman Holdings man- an improvement at profits from Penguin



Lord Gibson, chairman of S. Pearson.

Publishing collapsed from £3.2m to £1.68m and those from Ladybird Books fell from £0.8m to £0.47m. There is as yet no explanation for this. But many paperback publishers are finding trading tough, the result of an inability to get necessary price increase through in the face of mounting costs.

Whitehall Trust (largely Lazards, the merchant bank) pushed up its profits from £6.5m to £8.7m in line with good recent performances by most merchant banks.

Doulton, the tableware, glass and engineering group, increased profits by around £1m to £11.93m. Tableware demand, particularly in important export markets like the United States, was good though currency factors were against profits. Glass did particularly well and engineering interests contributed more. Midhurst Corporation profits were down by 12½ per cent at £1.84m. They would have been slightly up but for a first-time consolidation of the one-third interest in Blackwell Land, a substantial Californian nut and grape farming venture, where anticipated start-up losses had to be taken.

Pearson has increased its dividend by 10 per cent to 10.3p a share, so the shares at 182p, down 2p on these results, yield 5.6 per cent; Pearson Longman, 63.6 per cent owned by Pearson, has paid 9.07p a share where the yield is 4.9 per cent with the shares at 183p.

New lines play part in Hepworth recovery

By Tony May

A steady recovery at J. Hepworth & Son has taken the multiple tailoring group 36 per cent ahead to a first-half record of £2.7m. Mr J. T. Rowlay, managing director, expects the full year to be better than the record £4.57m of 1972-73, but is doubtful whether £5m will be reached. The interim dividend is raised to 1.09p gross.

At one point yesterday, the shares reached a "high" for the year of 66p before closing three points up at 65p.

With sales rising 18 per cent to £20.9m over the six months to February 28, margins improved from 11.4 to 13.17 per cent.

The rise in turnover was largely the result of new lines of merchandise, complemented by an improvement in demand for the traditional lines like suits. Mr R. E. Chadwick, chairman, says that turnover has continued to rise at the same rate in the second half.

So far this year it has opened three shops in towns where it was not previously represented, and three were resited. The second half will see four more shops resited but most growth is expected to come from the successful "shops within shops" scheme with Debenhams.

The Bristol scheme has been running for eight months, and the store in Manchester opened earlier this month. More are planned, the next opening being in Plymouth.

Stock markets

Long gilts happy with new 'tap'

The start of the traded options market and the likelihood of a new "tap" stock were the focus of attention on an otherwise subdued day's trading.

When the new long-dated stock was announced its terms were favourably received and the long end of the market saw a little two-way trade enabling prices to move a shade firmer after spending most of the day close to their overnight levels.

At the short end there was relief that a counterpart stock was not announced and prices reversed small losses to close up to three-eighths better. Earlier "shorts" had been unsettled by talk of a half point rise in Minimum Lending Rate and though the prospect was not

Courtaulds are 109p. A week ago they were 113p. The 1977-78 range is 139p to 90p. Buyers are tentatively returning to the stock ahead of yearly figures next month. Fears that Courtaulds made little more than £50m, with some saying 60m, cannot be dismissed, but buyers see little point in waiting for the stock to weaken further. Sterling is again falling; dearer cotton prices are not bad for rayon; the Budget should be good for clothing; and there are the multi fibre agreement and better output figures.

taken too seriously there was some relief at the absence of any new move.

The equity market was also helped to some extent by the new "tap" and the *FT* index, having spent most of the day just below its overnight level, crept above it in late trading to close just 0.2 up at 455.0. This was a fall of 7.6 over the first week of the account.

Among the leading industrials Unilever dipped 4p to 494p in a belated response to the animal feedstuffs report which came too late the previous evening to make much impact. Turner & Newall continued to fall back on its £36m cash call, losing another 4p to 169p, but Plessey rallied a penny to 96p after the earlier disappointment at losing the valuable aircraft landing system contract.

On the oil pitch Siebens gave up no less than 14p to 290p as profits were taken, but Ultramar responded to the possibility of dividends next year with a gain of 6p to 248p. Shell rose 3p to 530p in spite of the strike at its depots.

Late in the day BPB dipped 10p to 213p on news that the Price Commission is to investigate a subsidiary. But Allied Breweries, where a report is due next week, managed to gain 1½p to 86½p.

In the mining sector De Beers Dfd gained a penny to 330p after the annual report and RTZ attracted more support gaining another 3p to 205p. Afrikander Lease came back to favour with a leap of 20p to 200p, but Selection Trust slipped 11p to 296p as recent results were pondered further.

In stores J. Hepworth closed at its year's high at 65p, a rise of 3p, after figures which were well above the general run of market estimates. At one stage the shares touched 66p. Woolworth eased to 56½p after the annual meeting while the hope of further takeover developments lifted Suits 3p to 122p.

News that Croda had taken a 6.9 per cent stake in Yorkshire Chemicals confirmed rumours which have been buzzing around the market for a couple of weeks now. The latter's shares rose 6p to 94p and a couple of deals were done, but dealers find it hard to see the logic of a full-scale takeover especially as both companies have reported disappointing figures. Croda described the holding as "strategic".

Speculative interest was also directed into ML Holdings, up 4p to 103p, Kode International 3p to 110p and Midhurst Whites at 41½p. But profit taking clipped back Dawson International by 4p for a close of 114p.

In the financial sector a gloomy statement from the chairman of insurance broker Willis Faber left the shares 5p lower at 263p while late in the day merchant banks sprang to life with Schroders at 400p and

Parkland Textile jumped 5p to 73p on what dealers described as a good demand on a quiet day. The word was that this Yorkshire-based spinner was in line for a bid though a strong family interest is likely to prove a hurdle. Full-year profits, due in a month's time, are expected to show a continuation of first-half strength which saw a 50 per cent jump in the pre-tax figure

Hambros at 174p both at their best levels of the day.

After hours short dated gilts pushed further ahead in the absence of a new "tap" stock. Merchant banks and the speculative issues gained more ground and favourable figures lifted Pochins 4p to 90p.

Equity turnover on April 20 was £68.32m (13,742 bargains). Active stocks yesterday, according to Exchange Telegraph, were Shell, ICI, BP, RTZ, Selection Trust, BAT Ind, GEC, Letraset, Suits and Royal Insurance.

Latest results

Company Int or Fin	Sales £m	Profits £m	Earnings per share	Div pence	Pay date	Year's total
Ben Bailey (I)	2.35(1.78)	0.01a(0.06)	Nil(0.66)	Nil(0.30)	—	—(0.8)
R. H. Cole (F)	23.56(18.91)	1.29(0.90)	19.7(13.4)	2.03(1.82)	12/6	3.7(3.3)
Doulton (F)	171.7(149.4)	11.93(10.89)	—(—)	—(—)	—	—(—)
J. Hepworth (I)	20.9(17.7)	2.76(2.03)	—(—)	0.72(0.65)	—	—(2.3)
I. & J. Hyman (F)	6.35(4.02)	0.66(0.42)	3.52(2.46)	0.19(0.17)	—	0.19(0.17)
G. & G. Kynoch (I)	0.42(0.48)	0.02a(0.02a)	—(—)	1.0(Nil)	30/4	—(—)
Liberty (F)	21.45(17.09)	2.36(1.88)	272.9(230.5)	34.2(20.0)	—	46.2(29.3)
Liden (Hldgs) (F)	3.5(3.28)	0.13a(0.23)	2.56a(2.73a)	Nil(Nil)	—	Nil(Nil)
T. Marshall (F)	15.53(13.40)	1.05(0.98)	15.25(12.79)	1.46(1.22)	31/7	3.95(2.22)
Mentmore Man (F)	9.34(7.81)	0.53(0.20)	—(—)	0.76(0.68)	2/10	0.91(0.83)
S. Pearson (F)	328.49(289.99)	44.94(38.58)	23.72(21.24)	4.81(4.1)	12/6	6.81(6.1)
Rush & Tpkns (F)	54.44(33.29)	1.27(0.86)	10.6(8.5)	1.99(1.69)	—	2.89(2.57)
Scot Ice Rink (F)	—(—)	0.01(—)	17.17(26.83)	—(—)	—	—(3.23)
Francis Shaw (F)	11.5(10.6)	0.37(0.43)	4.42(6.15)	2.63(2.35)	1/7	2.63(2.36)
Sidroy (I)	1.47(1.51)	0.06(0.05)	0.70(0.59)	—(—)	—	—(—)
U. U. Textiles (I)	2.12(2.15)	0.02(0.11)	0.77a(0.14)	Nil(Nil)	—	—(—)
Youghal Cpts (F)	64.17(54.37)	1.58a(2.11)	9.6a(10.7)	Nil(5.0)	—	2.04(7.21)

Dividends in this table are shown net of tax on pence per share. Elsewhere in Business News dividends are shown on a gross basis. To establish gross multiply the net dividend by 1.515. Profits are shown pre-tax and earnings are net. a Loss.

Liberty steams in with scrip and bigger dividend

Accompanying another record year at Liberty, dealer in fabrics and carpets, is a scrip issue with each non-voting and ordinary share of £1 being split into four ordinary of 25p.

In the year to January 31 pre-tax profits were £2.36m, a rise of 25 per cent. This was on turnover up from £17.08m to £21.4m, leaving margins unchanged at 11 per cent.

Earnings a share have increased from 230.5p to 272.9p and the total dividend for the year is 70p gross compared with 45p, which the directors say is justified by the improved results last year and the close status of the company.

News of the increased dividend pushed up the shares £4 to £25½ yesterday.

Woolworth down in first quarter

Although sales of F. W. Woolworth, the British subsidiary of the United States stores giant, were higher in the first quarter to April 30, profits were lower. But at the annual meeting Mr S. J. Owen, chairman, stressed that the downturn was not significant in relation to the year's profit. Woolworth was budgeting for a further increase. He told a shareholder it had not been possible to raise the dividend for 1977 greatly because funds were needed for the investment programme. There were no plans for a rights or scrip issue.

Rush & Tompkins up 47 pc to £1.27m

On turnover 38.5 per cent up at £54.44m, pre-tax profits of the Rush & Tompkins Group rose by 47 per cent to £1.27m last year. With earnings a share improved from 8.5p to 10.6p, the total gross dividend is raised from 3.91p to 4.38p.

Completed properties held as investments and those owned and occupied by the group have been independently valued as at December 31. The total of £23.36m has been incorporated in the accounts and gives a surplus of £5.62m. Net assets a share are up from 192p to 234p.

The group covers property investment, residential development and contracting.

oda stake in Yorkshire nems 'strategic purchase'

hat it calls a strategic ise for investment pur- Croda International has 662,000 shares—6.9 per of Yorkshire Chemicals. day which saw two deals shares of Yorkshire, the went up from 86p to 92p the stake is valued at

over a month ago, York- shares slumped to 80p the group reported a pre-tax profit of £1.54m a collapse of margins second half.

In brief

EUROBOND ISSUE

Caisse Nationale des Telecommunications, Paris is planning 15-year $75m Eurobond issue. Coupon of 9 per cent is indicated. Union Bank Switzerland, Deutsche Bank and Societe Generale will be joint leaders.

UU TEXTILES

Recent months show upturn in orders and trend should continue. Its bankers continue their support of working capital requirements on normal banking terms.

BEN BAILEY

Group turnover for six months to December 31, £2.35m (£1.78m). Group loss £19,000 (£33,000). Nil earnings (0.66p). No interim dividend (same).

R. & H. HALL

While accurate forecast difficult for remainder of year, group should see worthwhile improvement in trading results for 1978.

ORE MANUFACTURING

nt year has started well, les ahead of comparable Full-time profits should sfactory.

SH ICE RINK (1925)

x profit £13,000. Earnings 17.17p (26.83p).

H ESTATES

ts for 1978 expected to those for 1976, although f excess will be dependent ssful leasing or disposal ffice blocks.

HYMAN

ver for 1977, £6.35m . Pre-tax profit, £657,000). Total dividend, gross, .027p to 0.29p, maximum

ER PROPERTY

her Property Fund for Funds and Charities crease in total subscrip- r six months to Jan 31 of to £30.4m. Total value d £32.32m (£24.52m at 1977).

S SHAW

for 1977, £11.53m . Pre-tax profit, £377,000 . Total gross dividend, 57p).

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er for 1977 £23.56m . Pre-tax profit £1.29m). E. P. S. 19.7p (13.4p). idend 5.62p gross (5.03p).

YMAN

profit for 1977 at record (£428,000). Turnover in forecast and exceeded fer by Somercel, owned ith British Vita, to buy now unconditional.

MARSHALL (LOXLEY)

er for 1977 £15.53m . Pre-tax profit £1.05m). Earnings a share 2.79p). Total dividend s (3.37p).

D TECHNOLOGY

d Technology Industries' Radyne accepted for cent of ordinary. Offer open.

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YNOLDS

nal offer document by Motors, Reynolds states to date "satisfactory" nts for first two months ificant increase over the iod.

Poor demand and high stocks put Youghal in red

By Ray Maughan

A combination of weak demand and high stocks has forced Youghal Carpets into the red by £1.59m against pre-tax profits for the previous year of £2.11m. Poor market conditions led to over-stocking which had to be corrected while the selling season lasted and this exercise, Mr Brian O'Brien, chairman, explains, attracted very high discount levels and sales into a weak market added to the trading difficulties.

At the same time, while stocks were cut to more acceptable levels by December, cash generated was not received sufficiently quickly to make an impression on interest charges which rose by £244,000. In addition, below the line currency translation losses of £133,000 were incurred against the earlier surplus of £594,000 and a further £120,000 has been charged for the closure of the mail order section.

The final dividend has been passed but Youghal hopes to be back in profitability in 1978 "when the resumption of dividends will be a matter of careful consideration".

Wilmot Breeden margins wane

The first half of the current year at Wilmot Breeden has seen a continuation of the conditions which caused a decline in margins in the last quarter of 1977. Mr David Breeden, the chairman of this supplier of bumpers, window and door mechanisms to most of the motor industry, says that the group is reacting quickly.

It has come to terms with the lower level of demand in some companies, and most of the associated costs of redundancies and reorganization will have to be absorbed in the first half of the year. After this, margins should rise progressively. The outlook in France remains good.

Options

On conventional stock exchange pitches brokers negotiate with jobbers who wholesale stock in gentlemanly whispers. The new market in trade options began differently as it was meant to with a "public outcry" whereby option deals are shouted out. So everyone can hear prices and details.

Later, the new traded options pitch quietened down to reflect a dearth of activity in the 10 shares underlying the 60 new types of option.

But some business was done apart from Mr Nicholas Goodison's launching contract in ICI. And observers said that option prices quoted were reasonable, and not wild in a frantic effort to generate business as some had feared.

In initial trading it looked as if Consolidated Gold Fields would lead the pack on the back of the American auction plan, and bullion price but the palm went to Grand Metropolitan.

A total of 265 contracts were arranged in Grand Metropolitan and 122 in Consolidated Gold. Courtaulds notched up a useful 61 contracts—figures are due soon—and 37 were done in Shell. ICI could only manage 26, Marks & Spencer 21 and Land Securities 16.

The crowd around the GEC and Commercial Union boards had hardly anything to do. *There were 13 contracts in* GEC and 9 in CU. Reflecting a static ordinary share market, *option prices did not change* throughout the day.

Wall Street

New York, April 21.—The stock market closed mixed, giving up a mild mid-session advance.

The Dow Jones industrial average was down 1.74 points to 812.80.

Some 715 issues declined against 720 gainers. Volume totalled 31,540,000 shares.

Brokers said the market was weighted down by the Federal Reserve report late Thursday of a surge in the basic money supply, and by the Feds tacit confirmation that it has raised its target on key Federal fund rates.

Silver little changed

New York, April 21.—COMEX SILVER futures closed little net changed and at the lows on nervous selling prior to the weekend. The market held final gains of some 4.50 cents. April, 497.40c; May, 497.00c; June, 501.60c; July, 505.50c; Sept, 512.70c; Dec, 524.50c; Jan, 528.50c; March, 536.70c; May, 545.10c; July, 553.60c; Sept, 562.30c; Dec, 575.30c; Jan, 579.70c. Handy and Harman, 510c (previous 496.10c). Handy and Harman of Canada, Can$5.740 (previous Can$5.690).

GOLD.—Futures were: NY COMEX.—April, $170.50; May, $171.00; June, $171.50; Aug, $173.60; Oct, $175.70; Dec, $177.90; Feb, $180.20; April, $182.80; June, $185.30; Aug, $188.20; Oct, $191.00; Dec, $193.80; Feb, $196.60. CHICAGO IMM.—June, $171.70-171.50; Sept, $174.70-175.00; Dec, $178.00-177.80; March, $181.00-181.40; June, $185.30; Sept, $189.60; Dec, $193.80.

COPPER.—Futures closed steady down 80 points.—April, 57.50c; May, 57.60c; June, 58.20c; July, 58.70c; Sept, 59.70c; Dec, 61.20c; Jan, 61.70c; March, 62.70c; May, 63.70c; July, 64.70c; Sept, 65.70c; Dec, 67.20c; Jan, 67.70c.

COCOA.—Futures were: May, 153.75c; July, 149.50c; Sept, 146.50c; Dec, 140.70c; March, 135.95c; May, 132.45c; July, 130.10c.

COFFEE.—Futures in "C" contract were: May 174.25c; July 153.25c; Sept 138.40c; Dec 125.50-6.0c; March 119.00-20.00c; May 115.00-6.00c; July 114.00-5.00c; Sept 113.00c asked.

SUGAR.—Futures in No 11 contract were: May 7.74-75c; July 7.98-99c; Sept 8.30c; Oct 8.32-33c; Jan 8.58-65c; March 9.09-10c; May 9.28-29c; July 9.45c bid; Sept 9.7[illegible]c.

COTTON.—Futures were: May, 56.70c; July, 58.25-37c; Oct, 60.15c; Dec, 61.15-25c; March, 62.20-50c; May, 62.85-31c; July, 63.25-80c; Oct, 62.75-37c.

CHICAGO SOYABEANS. Futures were: SOYABEANS: May, 714-12½c; July, 705-03c; Aug, 691-82c; Sept, 649½-48c; Nov, 621-20c; Jan, 624-25c; March, 631c; May, 635c. SOYABEAN OIL: May, 26.70-60c; July, 25.90-80c; Aug, 24.75-95c; Sept, 23.85c; Oct, 22.85c; Dec, 22.40-50c; Jan, 22.25c; March, 22.20c; May, 21.90c. SOYABEAN MEAL: May, $180.50-0.80; July, $183.00-3.50; Aug, $181.70; Sept, $175.50-6.50; Oct, $169.50-170.0; Dec, $168.00-7.50; Jan, $169.50-8.80; March $170.20-1.00; May, $171.50.

CHICAGO GRAINS.—WHEAT. May, 315c; July, 319½-18c; Sept, 323c; Dec, 329½-30c; March, 335c; May, 335c. CORN. May, 251⅛-¼c; July, 253½-¼c; Sept, 255⅛-¼c; Dec, 257-57¼c; March, 261⅛c; May, 265c. OATS. May, 149½c; July, 155½c; Sept, 159½c; Dec, 164c.

	Apr 20	Apr 19
Allied Chem	49¼	49⅞
Allied Stores	23	23
Allied Supermkt	3½	3½
Allis Chalmers	28⅝	28
Alcoa	44	43⅞
Amax Inc	36	35⅝
Amerada Hess	27⅜	27⅛
Am Airlines	11⅝	11¼
Am Brands	47⅜	47½
Am Broadcast	44⅛	43½
Am Can	39	39
Am Cyanamid	26¼	26
Am Elec Power	23⅞	23⅞
Am Home	28⅛	28⅞
Am Motors	4½	4⅝
Am Nat Res	43⅜	43
Am Standard	39⅛	39¼
Am Telephone	62½	61⅞
AMF Inc	17	17⅛
Armco Steel	27¼	27⅜
Asarco	17⅜	17⅞
Ashland Oil	30½	30½
Atlntic Richfield	49⅝	48⅞
Avco	22¾	22⅞
Avon Products	50¼	50¼
Babcock & Wcox	59⅝	59⅝
Bankers Tst NY	37⅞	37⅝
Bank of America	24⅞	24
Bank of NY	33⅞	32⅝
Beatrice Foods	24¼	24¼
Bell & Howell	18¼	18⅝
Bendix	37½	37½
Bethlehem Steel	22⅝	22⅝
Boeing	39½	39⅝
Boise Cascade	28	27⅝
Borden	28⅝	28⅝
Borg Warner	29⅝	29⅝
Bristol Myers	32⅝	32⅝
BP	13⅞	14⅛
Budd	33⅝	33⅝
Burlington Ind	19½	19⅞
Burlington Nthn	39⅝	38½
Burroughs	67⅛	66⅝
Campbell Soup	31⅞	31¼
Canadian Pacific	15⅛	15⅜
Caterpillar	53¼	51⅞
Celanese	38⅝	38¼
Central Soya	14⅝	14⅜
Charter NY	31	30½
Chase Manhat	32⅜	31
Chem Bank NY	41½	42
Chesapeake Ohio	32⅞	31¼
Chrysler	12⅝	13
Citicorp	23⅝	23¼
Cities Service	50½	50¼
Clark Equip	34⅞	33⅞
Coca Cola	41⅛	40⅝
Colgate	21¼	20⅝e
CBS	52⅞	51⅞
Columbia Gas	28⅝	28⅝
Combustion Eng	38½	37½
Comwlth Edison	27⅞	27½
Cons Edison	23⅞	22⅞
Cons Foods	22⅝	23½
Cons Power	22⅝	22½
Continental Grp	30⅛	31
Continental Oil	27⅜	26⅝
Control Data	28⅜	27⅞
Corning Glass	51¼	50¼
CPC Intnl	45⅝	45
Crane	29½	29¼
Crocker Int	27¼	27
Crown Zeller	32	31¼
Dart Ind	41⅞	40
Deere	27¼	26⅝
Del Monte	26	26 e
Delta Air	43¼	42⅞
Detroit Edison	16¼	16½
Disney	37½	36⅞
Dow Chemical	26½	26⅝
Dresser Ind	39⅞	39¼
Duke Power	20⅝	20⅝
Du Pont	113⅝	113¼
Eastern Air	7⅞	8
Eastman Kodak	49¼	48
Eaton Corp	36⅜	36¼
El Paso Nat Gas	18¼	18⅞
Equitable Life	22⅝	22⅞
Esmark	27½	27¼
Evans P. D.	17	16⅞
Exxon Corp	47⅞	47⅞
Fed Dept Stores	38	37⅞
Firestone	14¼	14⅛
Fst Chicago	21	21

	Apr 20	Apr 19
Fst Nat Boston	28⅝	28
Fst Penn Corp	15⅝	16
Ford	48⅜	48⅝
GAF Corp	11⅜	12½
Gamble Skogmo	28⅝	28
Gen Dynamics	51⅞	50½
Gen Electric	50½	49⅝
Gen Foods	28⅜	28½
Gen Mills	27½	27¼
Gen Motors	63	63
Gen Pub Util NY	19	18⅝e
Gen Tel Elec	30⅝	30⅛
Gen Tire	25⅞	24¼
Genesco	7½	7⅛
Georgia Pacific	27⅞	26½
Getty Oil	165	162½
Gillette	27⅜	27⅛
Goodrich	22⅛	21⅛
Goodyear	17½	17⅛
Gould Inc	28½	28⅛
Grace	28⅝	26
Gt Atlte & Pacific	8½	8½
Greyhound	13½	13⅝
Grumman Corp	17¼	17⅛
Gulf Oil	24⅝	24⅝
Gulf & West	13⅛	13½
Heinz H. J.	39½	38
Hercules	15	15
Honeywell	48½	48½
IC Inds	24⅞	23⅝
Ingersoll	56⅛	55⅝
Inland Steel	38⅝	37⅝
IBM	253¼	253
Int Harvester	29⅞	29⅛
INCO	15⅞	16
Int Paper	38⅝	38½
Int Tel Tel	30½	30¼
Jewel Co	19⅛	19⅛
Jim Walter	31⅛	30⅝
Johns-Manville	31⅞	31
Johnson & John	68⅛	69
Kaiser Alumin	33	32⅜
Kennecott	26	26⅝
Kerr McGee	48⅝	47⅞
Kimberly Clark	44⅛	44
Kraftco Corp	46	45½
K Mart	27½	27⅛
Kroger	31⅞	31⅞
Ligget Group	32⅝	32¼
L.T.V. Corp	7	6⅝
Litton	19⅛	18⅝
Lockheed	21⅛	22
Lucky Stores	13⅞	13⅝
Manuf Hanover	33⅛	32⅝
Mapco	36⅝	34⅞
Marathon Oil	43½	43⅛
Marine Midland	15⅝	15⅛
Martin Marietta	27½	27½
McDonnell	27¼	27⅛
Mead	21⅛	20½
Merck	53⅝	53¼
Minnesota Mng	48⅝	47
Mobil Oil	64⅞	64⅛
Monsanto	51⅛	49⅝
Morgan J. P.	46⅜	46⅛
Motorola	43½	41⅛
NCR Corp	49½	48⅝
NL Industries	17⅞	17½
Nabisco	50⅛	49⅝
Nat Distillers	23⅝	23⅛
Nat Steel	31⅛	31½
Norfolk West	26	26⅝
NW Bancorp	24⅛	23½
Norton Simon	20	19⅛
Occidental Pet	23	23
Ogden	26⅞	26⅝
Olin Corp	15½	15⅝
Owens-Illinois	21	20½
Pacific Gas Elec	23⅝	24
Pan Am	6⅛	5⅞
Penney J. C.	39	38⅛
Pennzoil	33	32⅝
Pepsico	28⅛	28⅝
Pet Inc	33⅝	34⅝
Pfizer	28⅛	27⅞
Phelps Dodge	23⅝	24
Philip Morris	63¼	62
Phillips Petrol	31	30⅝
Polaroid	30	30
PPG Ind	27⅞	27⅞
Proctor Gamble	80⅝	80⅛
Pub Ser El & Gas	23½	23⅛
Pullman	37⅞	37⅞
Rapid American	8	7⅞

	Apr 20	Apr 19
Raytheon	40½	40⅝
RCA Corp	28	27⅞
Republic Steel	24⅛	24⅞
Reynolds Ind	59⅛	58⅝
Reynolds Metal	30⅛	30⅛
Rockwell Int	32½	32⅛
Royal Dutch	58⅝	57⅞
Safeways	40⅝	40⅝
St Regis Paper	27¼	26⅝
Santa Fe Ind	36	35⅞
SCM	17¼	17⅛
Schlumberger	68	67⅝
Scott Paper	14⅛	14⅜
Seaboard Coast	30⅛	29⅝
Seagram	22⅞	22⅞
Sears Roebuck	24⅞	24⅛
Shell Oil	32⅝	33
Shell Trans	38⅝	38⅝
Signal Co	39½	38½
Singer	21¼	21
Sony	8⅛	8⅛
Sth Cal Edison	25⅛	25⅛
Southern Pacific	32	32⅝
Southern Rly	48⅛	48
Sperry Rand	38½	38
Std Brands	23⅛	23
Std Oil Califnia	40⅝	40½
Std Oil Indiana	48⅞	48⅝
Std Oil Ohio	63	63⅝
Sterling Drug	14⅝	14⅛
Stevens J. P.	15⅝	15
Stude Worth	54	53½
Sunbeam Corp	19⅝	20⅛
Sun Comp	41⅝	40⅜
Teledyne	80⅛	78⅝
Tenneco	30⅞	30⅝
Texaco	26⅝	26⅝
Texas East Trans	42	41⅞
Texas Inst	73⅛	73
Texas Utilities	20⅛	20
Textron	28⅛	27½
TWA	17⅜	17⅜
Travelers Corp	33⅛	33
TRW Inc	37½	36½
UAL Inc	24⅛	24⅛
Unilever Ltd	36⅞	35⅝
Unilever NV	54½	54⅞
Union Bancorp	14⅝	14⅝
Union Carbide	40⅝	40⅛
Union Oil Calif	48⅞	49
Un Pacific Corp	49⅛	47⅛
Uniroyal	7⅜	7⅝
United Brands	7⅞	7⅞
US Industries	8⅝	8⅝
US Steel	27½	26⅞
Utd Technol	40⅛	39⅝
Wachovia	18⅛	18
Warner Comm	38⅝	38⅛
Warner Lambert	28½	28⅛
Wells Fargo	28⅛	27⅞
West'n Bancorp	36½	35⅞
Westnghse Elec	19	19
Weyerhauser	23⅝	23⅛
Whirlpool	23½	23½
White Motor	6⅞	6⅞
Woolworth	20½	20½
Xerox Corp	47⅞	47¼
Zenith	14⅛	15⅛

Canadian Prices

	Apr 20	Apr 19
Abitibi	12⅝	12½
Alcan Alumin	31	31
Algoma Steel	10½	10¼
Bell Telephone	55¼	55¼
Cominco	27¼	27
Cons Bathurst	27¼	27
Falconbridge	21¼	20½
Gulf Oil	29	30
Hawker/Sid Can	6.00	6.13
Hudson Bay Min	16½	16¼
Hudson Bay Oil	42½	43
Imasco	30⅝	30
Imperial Oil	20	20½
Int Pipe	14½	14⅞
Mass-Ferguson	12½	12⅝
Royal Trust	18½	18¼
Seagram	26¼	26
Steel Co	25	24⅝
Talcorp	8⅛	8⅝
Thomson N 'A'	13½	13
Walker Hiram	33¼	33
WCT	33⅝	34

e Ex div. a Asked. c Ex distribution. h Bid. k Market closed. n New issue. p Stock split. t Traded. y Unquoted.

Foreign exchange—Sterling, spot, 1.8250 (1.8290); three months, 1.8558 (1.8168); Canadian dollar 87.35 (87.39).

The Dow Jones averages.—Industrials, 812.80 (814.54); transportation 220.59 (220.49); utilities 106.77 (105.76); 65 stocks, 282.64 (282.44).

New York Stock Exchange index. 52.65 (52.73); industrials, 56.54 (56.66); transportation, 42.34 (42.28); utilities, 39.82 (39.83); financial, 56.61 (56.61).

Yule Catto & Co. Limited

Results	1977	1976
rnover	£10,144,107	£8,702,447
ofit before taxation	£2,486,940	£1,546,552
ofit after taxation	£1,217,520	£757,817
rnings per share	7.87p	5.01p
ividends per share	1.387p	1.2207p
ssets per share	76.7p	75.4p

t the AGM on 20th April, Lord Catto reported to areholders:

Profit for the year was 61% higher than the previous year.

Malaysian plantation profits increased by 58% and despite difficult economic conditions the contribution from UK trading activities was maintained.

Strong cash flow of the group has enabled all borrowings to be repaid.

Since the year end agreement has been reached with Johore State Economic Development Corporation for it to purchase a 35% interest in the plantations for £2.8m.

Thomas Bell and Co. Liverpool Ltd. export traders, has been acquired for 645,000 shares and £180,750 in cash.

The Company is investigating a scheme to make a capital repayment of up to 10p per share out of share premium account.

FRAMLINGTON American AND GENERAL FUND

A new unit trust for investment in U.S. and Canadian growth stocks selected by Framlington. The trust at present bears an initial charge of only 2%.

Intending investors will wish to know why Framlington have chosen this time to launch a new trust aimed at capital growth and investing exclusively in America:

1. Wall Street prices are exceptionally low. Both historical and international comparisons of yields, P/E ratios and asset values show American shares to be cheap.
2. America remains the world's greatest free-enterprise economy, still growing and still with opportunities for small companies to become great ones. Every wise investor has a portion of his capital in North America.
3. The large number of different shares available to choose from makes America an ideal field for the Framlington method: the managers are able to identify companies with good prospects of earnings growth not already discounted in the share price.

Intending investors will also wish to know Framlington's credentials:

1. Framlington is a small but highly successful unit trust group with £10 million under management. The management team has been together for nine years.
2. On 19th March the *Observer* compared performances of the 395 unit trusts on the market over 1, 2, 4 and 6 years. *In each case there were two Framlington trusts in the top ten.*
3. All three of the Framlington Unit Trusts have significantly out-performed the F.T. All Share Index since they were launched, on average by 9.8% p.a. compound.

Few private investors could match the Framlington record, even in the U.K. In North America, investment is altogether too complex: the individual can rarely obtain a wide enough spread of investment; finds it difficult to follow company results; cannot make purchases through back-to-back loans.

With the American Fund part of the portfolio will at first be bought through back-to-back loans and the remainder through the dollar premium, with the precise proportions always depending on the premium level.

Investors are reminded that the price of units and the income from them can go down as well as up.

An investment in a unit trust should be regarded as long term.

For this first public offer units are priced at 50p each until 3 p.m. on Wednesday, 26th April. The minimum investment is 500 units, which cost £250.

The preliminary charge, normally 3¼% or 5% for a unit trust, will in the case of this fund initially be at 2%. The annual charge remains at ½%.

The estimated gross starting yield is 1%.

Investors should complete the coupon and post it with their cheques to arrive not later than 3.00 p.m. on Wednesday, 26th April. Applications received after that time will have units allocated at the price ruling on the next dealing day.

GENERAL INFORMATION
Net income, after deduction of basic rate tax, will be distributed to unitholders on 15th October with first distribution 15th October, 1978. Applications will not be acknowledged but certificates will be sent within 42 days of the close of the offer. The offer price includes an initial charge of 2%. There is an annual charge of ½% + VAT. Units can be bought and sold every Monday unless this is a public holiday. Prices and yields are featured in most leading newspapers. The trust is an authorised unit trust constituted by a Trust Deed dated 3rd April, 1978. The trust ranks as a wider range investment under the Trustee Investment Act 1961. The Trustee is Lloyds Bank Limited. The Managers are Framlington Unit Management Limited, Framlington House, 5-7 Ireland Yard, London EC4 (Reg. in London 895241). Members of the Unit Trust Association. This offer is not available to residents of the Republic of Ireland.

FIRST PUBLIC OFFER OF UNITS IN THE FRAMLINGTON AMERICAN AND GENERAL FUND. OFFER CLOSES 26TH APRIL.

To: Framlington Unit Management Limited, Framlington House, 5-7 Ireland Yard, London EC4V 5DH telephone 01-248 6971.

I/We wish to invest the sum of £________ (minimum £250) in Framlington American and General Fund and enclose a cheque payable to Framlington Unit Management Limited.

I/We declare that I am/we are over 18 and not resident outside the scheduled territories nor am I/we are acquiring the above mentioned securities as the nominee(s) of any person(s) resident outside these territories. (If you are unable to make this declaration it should be deleted and the form lodged through your Bank, Stockbroker, or Solicitor in the United Kingdom.)

Joint applicants, all must sign. State Mr/Mrs/Miss or Titles and Forenames

Signature(s)________

Full Name(s)________

Address(es)________

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American and General Fund

MARKET REPORTS

Commodities

COPPER was steady. Afternoon.—Cash wire bars, £692-92.50 a metric ton; three months, £709-09.50. Sales, 5,200 tons. Cash cathodes, £682-683; three months, £699-700. Sales, nil tons. Morning.—Cash wire bars £693.50-94.00; three months, £710.50-11.00. Settlement, £694. Sales, 5,500 tons. Cash cathodes, £683-684; three months, £700.50-701.00. Settlement, £684. Sales, 1,500 tons.

SILVER gained between 5p and 4p on the ring. Bullion market (fixing levels).—Spot, 275.5p per troy ounce (United States cents equivalent, 503.5); three months 281p (510.6c); six months 288.9p (520.9c); one year, 302.7p (544.1c). London Metal Exchange.—Afternoon.—Cash, 275.6-76.0p; three months, 281.6-81.7p. Sales, 65 lots of 10,000 troy ounces each. Morning.—Cash, 276.7-76.8p; three months, 281.4-81.5p. Settlement, 276.8p. Sales, 44 lots.

TIN was very steady.—Afternoon.—Standard cash, £6,060-65 a metric ton; three months, £6,015-20. Sales, 100 tons. High grade cash £6,060-65; three months, £6,015-20. Sales, nil tons. Morning.—Standard cash, £6,040-50; three months, £6,010-15. Settlement, £6,050. Sales, 1,300 tons. High grade, cash £6,040-50; three months, £6,010-15. Settlement, £6,050. Sales, nil tons. Singapore tin ex-works, $M1,526 a picul.

LEAD was very steady.—Afternoon.—Cash, £307-07.50 per metric ton; three months, £314.50-15.00. Sales, 2,175 tons. Morning.—Cash, £307-07.50; three months, £315-15.50. Settlement, £307.50. Sales, 4,700 tons.

ZINC was steady.—Afternoon.—Cash, £293-294 a metric ton; three months, £301-01.50. Sales, 1,000 tons. Morning.—Cash, £295-296; three months, £302-303. Settlement, £296. Sales, 3,100 tons. All afternoon prices are unofficial.

PLATINUM was at £113.55 ($207) a troy ounce.

RUBBER was uncertain (pence per kilo).—May, 53-53.50; June, 53-55.00; July-Sept, 53.60-53.80; Oct-Dec, 54.75-54.85; Jan-March, 56-56.05; April-June, 57.25-57.30; July-Sept, 58.60-58.65; Oct-Dec, 59.80-59.85; Jan-March, 61-61.05. Sales, 7 lots at 5 tonnes; 210 at 15 tonnes.

COFFEE.—Robustas were easier: arabicas were dull.

ROBUSTAS (£ per metric ton): May, 1500-12; July, 1360-05; Sept, 1290-1300; Nov, 1255-60; Jan, 1230-45; March, 1215-30; May, 1173-1205. Sales: 2,854 lots including 21 options.

ARABICAS ($ per 50 kilos): April, 191.50-210.50; June, 184.70-184.75; Aug, 171-172; Oct, 157.50-157.90; Dec, 145.75-145.80; Feb, 135-142; April, 134-135. Sales, 15 lots.

COCOA was about steady.—May, £2,045-46 per metric ton; July, £1,955.50-57.00; Sept, £1,875-80; Dec, £1,807-10; March, £1,750.50-52.00; May, £1,712-13; July, £1,680-90. Sales, 2,025 lots. ICCO prices: daily, 148.65c; 15-day average, 158.48c; 22-day average, 159.26c (US cents per lb).

SUGAR futures were steady. The London daily price of "raws" was £2 higher at £101; the "whites" price was £1.50 higher at £107.—May, £104.40-04.60 per metric ton; Aug, £108.75-08.90; Oct, £112.25-12.35; Dec, £115.75-15.80; March, £122.45-23.00; May, £125.50-27.00; Aug, £130.25-30.75. Sales: 2,209 lots. ISA prices: 7.52c. 15-day average 7.61c.

SOYABEAN MEAL was steady.—April (unpriced); June, £131.50-131.70; Aug, £130.20-30.50; Oct, £127.20-27.50; Dec, £121.50-23.00; Feb, £123.20-23.40; April, £124-26.0. Sales 245 lots.

GRAIN (The Baltic).—**WHEAT.**—Canadian western red spring No 1, 13½ per cent: April-May, £97.50 Tilbury. US dark northern spring No 2, 14 per cent: April-May, £90.25; May-June, £85.75 trans-shipment east coast.

MAIZE.—No 3 yellow American-French: April, first half May, £106.75; second half May, £106; June, £105.50 trans-shipment east coast. South African yellow: May-June, £81.

BARLEY was unquoted. All per tonne cif UK unless stated.

London Grain Futures Market (Gafta). EEC origin.—**BARLEY** was barely steady: May, £85.75; Sept, £80.95; Nov, £83.40; Jan, £85.85; March, £88.20. Sales, 231 lots. **WHEAT** was barely steady: May, £97.10; Sept, £86.10; Nov, £88.60; Jan, £91.10; March, £93.45. Sales, 16 lots.

Home-Grown Cereal Authority.—Location ex-farm spot prices:

	Other milling WHEAT	Feed WHEAT	Feed BARLEY
Kent	—	£91.40	£77.30
Lancs	—	—	£78.30

Foreign Exchange

Small net falls in the dollar yesterday reflected light profit-taking after Thursday's sharp advance that was sparked off by America's plan to sell off a portion of its big gold reserves. But the undertone remained firm, with the earlier lower trend halted in mid-afternoon.

The closing picture was narrowly mixed, with a marginal fall against the Mark of 2.0770 overnight 2.0775).

In rather thin conditions, the pound closed at $1.8260, just 15 points up on Thursday's close. The currency basket average improved to 61.6 compared with 61.5 overnight.

Gold gained $2.25 an ounce to close in London at $171.125.

Discount market

Help on a moderate scale from the Bank of England was sufficient to relieve a shortage of fresh funds on Lombard Street yesterday and to enable houses to pick up a little cheap money at the finish.

For much of the session, houses kept their bids in the region of 6 per cent to 6½ per cent, though one or two were tempted to pay up to 7½ per cent on occasion against the competition of the interbank market, where money traded in the 8-7½ per cent area. Right at the finish, however, there was a steep run-down until final balances were being taken over a band of 2 per cent to 3 per cent.

The Bank gave its assistance by buying small quantities of Treasury bills, local authority bills, and "eligible" bank bills, the three "smalls" amounting to a moderate sum in total.

Factors cited in the market's favour included bank balances that came over from Thursday some way above target levels.

Spot Position of Sterling

	Market rates (day's range) April 21	Market rates (close) April 21
New York	$1.8220-.8345	$1.8255-8265
Montreal	$2.0870-.0935	$2.0875-.0885
Amsterdam	4.03½-06½fl	4.04½-05½fl
Brussels	59.85-60.25f	59.95-60.05f
Copenhagen	10.35-40k	10.35½-36½k
Frankfurt	3.79½-80½m	3.79-80m
Lisbon	75.70-76.50e	75.90-76.20e
Madrid	146.50-147.05p	146.60-70p
Milan	1583-88½lr	1585-86½lr
Oslo	9.89-96k	9.94½-95½k
Paris	8.45½-52f	8.47-48f
Stockholm	8.46-51½k	8.50-51kr
Tokyo	409-15y	412½-13½y
Vienna	27.15-35sch	27.25-35sch
Zurich	3.56-62f	3.56½-57½f

Effective exchange rate compared to December 21 was up 0.1 at 61.6.

Money Market Rates

Bank of England Minimum Lending Rate 7½%
(last changed 11/4/78)
Clearing Banks Base Rate 7½%
Discount Mkt Loans %
Overnight: High 7½ Low 2
Week Fixed: 6¾-7¼

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Forward Levels

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Gold

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Eurobond prices (midday indicators)

US STRAIGHTS ($)	Bid	Offer
Australia 7½ 1984	95¼	96¼
Australia 8½ 1992	96	97
Aust Mining 9½ 1992	98	98½
Avco 9¼ 1985	99½	100½
Avco 9¾ 1985	99½	100½
Barclays 8¼ 1992	97½	98¼
Bowater 9¼ 1992	97¾	98¾
British Gas 9 1981	102	102½
Citicorp 6¾ 1980	97	97½
Citicorp 7 1981	96½	97¼
CECA 8¾ 1997	96½	97¼
DSM 8¼ 1987	97	98
EIB 8¼ 1988	97	97¾
EIB 8¼ 1993	96	96¾
Eurofima 8¼ 1983	96¾	97½
Fisons 8½ 1992	95½	96¼
ICI 8½ 1987	97½	98½
INCO 8¾ 1984	97½	98¼
INCO 9 1992	97½	98¼
ITEL 9½ 1988	98¼	99¼
IU O'seas 8½ 1987	95½	96½
Light-Services 9 1982	97	97½
MacMillan Bloedel 9 1992	96½	97
Midland Int 8¾ 1992	98½	99¼
NCB 8 1987	95½	96
Nat West 9 1986	101½	102
NZ Forest Prod 9 1986	99½	100½
Norsk Hydro 7½ 1982	97½	98½
Occidental 8½ 1983	97½	98½
Occidental 8¾ 1987	98	99
Offshore Mining 8½ 1985	98½	99½
Rank Hovis 9 1992	97½	98½
R. J. Reynolds 7½ 1982	97½	98½
Shell 8¼ 1990	96½	97½
SNCF 8¾ 1984	99½	100½
Sparbankernas 8½ 1988	97¼	98¼
Sweden 7½ 1982	97½	98½
Sweden 8¼ 1987	96½	97½
Tauernautobahn 8¼ 1987	95½	96½
Walter Kidde 8¼ 1985	97¾	98½

FLOATING RATE NOTES		
Andelsbanken 7 11/16 1984	97¼	98¼

	Bid	Offer
CCF 7¾ 1983	99¼	99¾
LB 7 11/16 1982	99	99½
LTCB 7 15/16 1982	99½	100¼
OKB 7¾ 1985	100	100½
Williams Glyns 8 1/16 1984	99½	100½
CANADIAN DOLLARS		
Avco 9¾ 1983	97	97½
Bell-RT 8½ 1983	99½	99¾
Ford 8¾ 1984	95½	95½
British Columbia MFA 9 1997	93¼	93¾
Rank 10 1982	97½	98½
Walter Heller 9½ 1984	98	98½
DEUTSCHE MARKS		
CFP 6¼ 1.7.84	103½	104
ICI 6¼ 1.5.87	104½	105¼
New Zealand 6¾ 1.5.84	106	106½
Phrm 6¼ 1.9.83	103½	104
Quebec Hydro 6¾ 16.3.87	102½	103
US CONVERTIBLES		
American Exp 4¼ 1987	86	87½
Beatrice Foods 4½ 1992	98½	100
Beatrice Foods 6¾ 1991	112½	114
Beecham 6½ 1992	95	96
Borden 6¾ 1991	106	107½
Carnation 4 1988	78½	80
Chevron 5 1988	127½	129
Eastman Kodak 4½ 1988	87	89½
Fairchild Cam 5½ 1991	95½	97
Ford 5 1988	90	91½
Ford 6 1986	101½	103
General Electric 4¼ 1987	84	85½
Gillette 4¾ 1987	77½	79
Gould 5 1987	113½	115
Gulf & Western 5 1988	86½	88
Honeywell 6 1986	89½	91
ICA 6¾ 1987	87½	88½
INA 6 1997	97	98½
Inchcape 6 1992	110½	111½
ITT 4½ 1987	83½	85
J R McDermott 4¾ 1987	134	136
Mitsui Real Est 6 1992	143	145
J. P. Morgan 4¾ 1987	98	99½
Nabisco 5½ 1989	102½	104
J. C. Penney 4½ 1987	78	79½
Revlon 4¾ 1987	110½	112
Reynolds Metals 5 1988	86½	88
Sperry Rand 4¼ 1988	92	93½
Squibb 4 1987	79	80½
Sumitomo Elec 6 1992	148	149
Texaco 4½ 1988	81½	83
TWA 10 1988	81	83
Un Bk of Swiz 4½ 1987	139	140
Warner Lambert 4½ 1987	84	85½
Xerox Corp 5 1988	80	81½

Source: Kidder Peabody Securities Limited.

Bank Base Rates

ABN Bank	7½%
Barclays Bank	7½%
B.C.C.I. Bank	7½%
Consolidated Crdts	6½%
First London Secs	7½%
C. Hoare & Co.	*7½%
Lloyds Bank	7½%
London Mercantile	7½%
Midland Bank	7½%
Nat Westminster	7½%
Rossminster Acc's	7½%
TSB	7½%
Williams and Glyn's	7½%

* 7 day deposits on sums of £10,000 and under 4¾%, up to £25,000 4½%, over £25,000 5¼%.

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The Over-the-Counter Market

1977-78 High	Low	Company	Last Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div (p)	Yld %	P/E
51	29	Airsprung Ord	48	—	4.2	8.8	8.9
155	106	Airsprung 18½% CULS	155	—	18.5	11.8	—
40	25	Armitage & Rhodes	40	+1	3.3	8.2	17.0
160	105	Bardon Hill	160	—	12.0	7.5	11.0
113	51	Deborah Ord	110	—	5.1	4.6	8.8
228	108	Deborah 17½% CULS	225	—	17.5	7.7	—
147	120	Frederick Parker	136	—	12.4	9.1	5.3
148	135	George Blair	145	—	15.0	10.3	5.8
58	35	Jackson Group	46	—	5.0	10.8	5.4
114	55	James Burrough	99	—	6.0	6.0	9.1
340	188	Robert Jenkins	310	—	26.7	8.6	5.2
24	9	Twinlock Ord	16	—	—	—	—
82	54	Twinlock 12% ULS	79	−1	12.0	15.1	—
81	54	Unilock Holdings	75	—	7.0	9.3	9.3
102	67	Walter Alexander	102	—	6.4	6.2	7.5

Authorized Units, Insurance & Offshore Funds

1977-78 High Bid	Low Offer	Trust	Bid	Offer	Yield
		Authorized Unit Trusts			
		Abbey Unit Trust Managers, 72-80 Gatehouse Rd, Aylesbury, Bucks. 0296-5941			
34.1	24.2	Abbey Capital	30.8	32.8	4.66
48.3	35.7	Abbey General	43.0	45.7	4.03
40.3	29.8	Do Income	37.4	39.8	5.63
34.8	27.6	Do Invest	33.4	35.4	4.32
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Insurance Bonds and Funds

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Offshore and International Funds

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•Ex dividend. * Not available to the general public. ° Guernsey gross yield. ‡ Previous days price. a Ex all. c Dealings suspended. e Subdivided. f Cash value for £100 premium. g Ex bonus. h Estimated yield. k Yield before Jersey tax. p Periodic premium. s Single premium. Dealing or valuation days—(1) Monday. (2) Tuesday. (3) Wednesday. (4) Thursday. (5) Friday. [illegible] (27) 1st Wednesday of month. (28) Last Thursday of month. (29) 3rd working day of month. (30) 16th of month. (31) 1st working day of month. (32) 20th of month. (33) 1st day of Feb, May, Aug, Nov. (34) Last working day of month. (35) 15th of month. (36) 14th of month. (37) 21st of each month. (38) 3rd Wednesday of month. (39) 2nd Wednesday of month. (40) Valued monthly.

Law Report April 2[illegible]

Queen's Bench Division

Payment to redundant officers no bar to unemployment benefit

Regina v National Insurance Commissioner, Ex parte Stratton

Before Lord Widgery, Lord Chief Justice, Mr Justice Melford Stevenson and Mr Justice Cantley

A "special capital payment" made to a member of the Armed Forces on his being made redundant *is not a payment in lieu of* remuneration within the meaning of regulation 7(1)(d) of the Social Security (Unemployment, Sickness and Invalidity Benefit) Regulations 1975, and does not disqualify him from receiving unemployment benefit under the Social Security Act, 1975.

The Divisional Court so held in granting an application by Mr Derrick Ross Stratton, a former squadron leader in the Royal Air Force, now of Paignton, Devon, for an order of certiorari to quash a decision of the Chief National Insurance Commissioner that Mr Stratton's receipt of the special capital payment disqualified him from entitlement to unemployment benefit for one year after he was made redundant from the Service.

Regulation 7(1)(d) provides: "A day shall not be treated as a day of unemployment if it is a day in respect of which a person receives a payment . . . in lieu either of notice or of the remuneration which he would have received for that day had his employment not been terminated . . .".

Mr Harry Woolf and Mr R. H. Glick for Mr Stratton; Mr David Latham for the insurance officer.

MR JUSTICE CANTLEY said that Mr Stratton, a squadron leader with a permanent commission, received what was called a special capital payment on termination of his employment by reason of compulsory redundancy in 1975. The Chief National Insurance Commissioner held that by reason of regulation 7(1)(d) the payment disqualified him from entitlement to unemployment benefit for one year from the date his employment was terminated.

On becoming unemployed Mr Stratton, subject to the provisions of the regulations, was entitled by virtue of section 14 of the Social Security Act, 1975, to receive unemployment benefit for every day of unemployment except the first three.

As a member of the Armed Forces he had no legal right to notice or payment in lieu of notice, but as a matter of grace and in accordance with policy, he was given long advance notice of the date when he would have to leave the Service. It was conceded that his special capital payment was not a payment in lieu of notice. The only question which arose in the present proceedings was whether his subsequent period of unemployment was a period in respect of which he received a payment in lieu of the remuneration which he would have received for that period had his employment not been terminated.

Mr Stratton, on leaving the Service, was not entitled to a payment under the Redundancy Payments Act, 1965. If he was entitled, the question at issue would not have arisen because it had been accepted for some time that those statutory redundancy payments were not within regulation 7(1)(d). However, the Act did not apply to members of the Armed Services, and as redundancy was redundancy in whatever sphere of employment it arose, it was necessary as a matter of justice and decency to make special provision for members of the Armed Services whom it was decided to make redundant in 1975.

An appropriate scheme was accordingly prepared, and was described in Annex H of the Government statement on defence estimates, a White Paper presented to Parliament in March, 1975 (Cmnd 5976). On March 19, 1975, a standing instruction was issued by command of the Ministry of Defence to give effect to the scheme, and it dealt in detail with the calculation of the special capital payments for RAF officers. Paragraph 4 (a) of the instruction provided that officers with at least 13 years' qualifying service were to receive a number of months' pay graduating according to the number of uncompleted years of service to normal retiring age. Mr Stratton was in that category and had four years and three months of uncompleted service.

What was the nature of that payment? It was not to be ascertained from the method of calculation. The amount was calculated on uncompleted years of service in the case of officers with 13 or more years of completed service. It was calculated on years of completed service in cases of officers with 12 or less years of completed service. After each calculation the result was the special capital payment.

It was a composite payment to take account of four factors. (1) Curtailment of an expected service career. (2) Loss of prospects. (3) Loss of higher rates of pension from longer service. (4) The difficulties facing a man whose career was cut short and who had to find some other employment as a late starter.

In many cases those factors were not susceptible of precise evaluation, and the relative weighting to be given to each was a matter of judgment. Curtailment of a career involved far more than loss of the money which would be earned. A man did not usually join the Armed Services in order to become rich. If he were fortunate enough to get alternative employment, earnings in civilian life might replace or exceed his Service pay, but the alternative employment might not offer the features which appealed to him in the Service. [illegible] had lost a way of life. [illegible] curtailment of a career [illegible] involve frustration of a [illegible] and otherwise attainable ambition, or deprive a man of achievement or a status which he valued.

If his career were cut short a [illegible] way after he had established himself in his chosen profession he would be lucky indeed if time and opportunity allowed him to take up some new employment, which could be called a career and would give him the same satisfaction even though it provided him with an equivalent income for the remainder of his working life.

In none of the government or Service documents referred to was *there any reference to the payment* as being made in lieu of the remuneration which would have been received in the service had the employment not been terminated.

His Lordship accepted that, at least by implication, loss or possible loss of such remuneration was an element taken into account, but it was quite impossible to quantify it. The loss might not even occur. *An officer* who was going to be made redundant was given long notice of the date and also offered advice and training to help *him in* resettlement *in* civilian life. It was at least within the contemplation of the parties that the officer might secure alternative employment and suffer no loss of remuneration and no unemployment. In such a case it was quite clear from what was stated in the documents that he would still be entitled to retain the whole of his special capital payment unless he were reengaged in the Armed Services or employed in the Civil or Foreign Service.

In the case of the man who received 12 *months'* pay and was unemployed for a year after redundancy, it could not be right to treat each month's pay which was included in the computation of the payment as a payment in lieu of the remuneration he would have received during that month had his employment not been terminated. That would result in his receiving nothing at all for the other factors in respect of which he had been promised he would be compensated. The payment was a composite payment, and in so far as it contained an element of payment in lieu of remuneration, the extent of that element was speculative and unascertainable.

The commissioner had held that compensation for curtailment of the expected Service career contained an element of payment in lieu of remuneration. His Lordship would not dissent from that, although its extent was speculative and unascertainable. The commissioner also said, citing a previous decision of the commissioners, *that the presence of such an* element in a payment which was composite and made for a variety of considerations sufficed to bring the regulation into play. His Lordship dissented from that, at least as a principle of general application covering the present case.

Further, the commissioner logically held that that element in the special capital payment was intended to compensate for, and to be referable to, remuneration which would have been earned for all the days in the period following termination or curtailment up to the date when the career would have ended *in* normal retirement. If that construction of the effect of regulation 7(1)(d) were correct the effect in the case of the man who got three or one month's pay and was then unemployed for 12 months would not only be grotesque, it would be shameful. It was quite impossible to suppose that the authorities who devised the scheme could have stooped to such a trick. His Lordship was not at all surprised that the view he had formed on the construction of the regulation left their honour unsullied even by suspicion.

The conception of an unspecified element of remuneration was irrelevant to the proper construction of regulation 7(1)(d). The regulation spoke not of elements, but of a "payment in lieu of the remuneration he would have received". It was common enough in life and well known before the Redundancy Payments Act for an employee whose employment was prematurely determined to receive from his employer a payment in lieu of the remuneration he would have received for some specified period, whether measured in days or weeks and whether paid under legal or moral obligation or out of compassion.

There was no need and certainly no legal compulsion to construe the phrase in regulation 7(1)(d) as if it said "receives an *element of payment* in lieu of the remuneration he would have received", particularly when the element was indefinite and unascertainable and would in some case be insignificant.

His Lordship would grant the order asked for.

The Lord Chief Justice, and Mr Justice Melford Stevenson agreed.

Solicitors: Treasury Solicitor; Solicitor, Department of Health and Social Security.

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Waltham Forest London Borough Council v T. G. Wheatley (Central Garage) Ltd (No 2)

A false trade description in the form of an inaccurate milage reading on a secondhand car odometer was held by the Divisional Court not to have been *neutralized* by a *disclaimer notice* in the office of the garage where the car was sold.

The court allowed a prosecutor's appeal, by way of case stated, from the dismissal by Waltham Forest justices of an information alleging that T. G. Wheatley (Garage) Ltd, Leytonstone, had offered for sale a second-hand car with a false trade description, namely an odometer which indicated 41,599 miles, whereas the car had travelled at least 54,331 miles, contrary to section 1(1)(b) of the Trade *Descriptions Act, 1968. The case* was sent back to the justices with a direction to convict.

The LORD CHIEF JUSTICE said that one matter for decision was whether the garage's notice, which read "the milage on second-hand cars cannot be guaranteed accurate and are sold subject to this undertaking" and was positioned behind the desk in the office where it was visible to customers, was effective to cancel out the false trade description. To have that effect the notice would have to sit beside the false description. The notice in the present case was not sufficiently proximate. His Lordship hesitated to say *that* a notice in the office would never do, but it would rarely suffice.

Another question was whether the garage could avail itself of section 24, whereby it was a defence for the person to prove that the commission of the offence was due to mistake or events beyond his control, or that he had taken precautions and exercised all due diligence. The justices had found that the false trade description had been caused by a third party, but the finding was based on inadmissible evidence. There was not a word in the case stated about "due diligence". At least an effective notice could have been used. Everything in the case came back to the adequacy of the notice.

Mr Justice Boreham delivered a concurring judgment and Mr Justice Drake agreed.

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Stock Exchange Prices

Subdued end to week

ACCOUNT DAYS: Dealings Began, April 17. Dealings End, April 28. § Contango Day, May 2. Settlement Day, May 10

§ Forward bargains are permitted on two previous days

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Sheila Black

Safe as houses

It seems that many readers were interested in my dissertation on intruder alarms and list of manufacturers' names. However, a follow-up reference to it proved that too many readers had failed to get their copies of *The Times* on that day and so this is to offer a copy of the piece to anyone who wants it—please address your requests to me at *The Times*.

Among the interesting consequences has been a change in the attitude of Bunch Electronics Ltd, 186 Sloane Street, London SW1 (01-235 9671) This is the firm that did my own installation and which has a system that is armed and disarmed merely by turning the mortice key. It really is convenient and there is no rushing to a cupboard to switch off within 20 seconds of entering the house or having to dash out and shut the front door, etc. To those readers who comment that installers can themselves hire dishonest staff who, knowing the system, could get in to ransack the home, this mortice lock is a good protection.

Many householders have their own mortice keys of which Bunch's staff cannot get copies. But, should a mortice lock need to be put in, Bunch will either suggest the householder buys or puts in his own or, should the greater convenience be wanted of its being part of the installation, they will buy the lock and keys and deliver it sealed and wrapped to the householder, leaving it to him to get any spares cut. Incidentally, they do return the plans to the householder, if any.

I must say that, having lived with my Bunch system for some weeks during which grandchildren stayed for three weeks of Easter holiday and were always in and out with or without friend, I have learnt that its simplicity is a joy. It is used absolutely every time we leave the house, whoever leaves it, because it is so simple to use. The more complicated systems breed a feeling of "it won't matter just for an hour or two" and it does. A near neighbour was burgled in a two-hour absence. A friend in the country had merely gone to the cinema locally and came back to find silver, jewelry, hi-fi and other valuables gone. The only system is the one you use always, one that a child or a drunk can use. Then it is always on.

I have also learnt, since having my own system, that far too many installations cannot be used while the family is inside the house. Dependent on all the doors and pressure pads or windows being on one circuit, there is no way of wandering around the house at night inside a protected circuit—this is the case with several people who have discussed my own system favourably against theirs. It is ridiculous, of course, that the house should be unprotected while the occupants sleep, as police can soon tell you. Many robberies occur at just such times.

My own system, which was cheaper than most others I know through friends, has two circuits. One takes care of outside doors and windows. The second circuit, which is one when I am out or away, takes care of extra internal securities like extra doors, windows and pressure pads. At night, when I want to use my own home freely, the one circuit is on. When I am away, both operate.

Another point that worried readers—rightly—is the annual maintenance cost. My original article included systems that could be bought as well as DIY systems but I do honestly believe that an electronic system is best and that it should be professionally maintained. The terrifying example of one reader's is that annual maintenance can rise alarmingly and this is confirmed by many readers who have since written to show that £30 can rapidly be £80 and so forth. Bunch Electronics fixes annual maintenance for five years at £25 a year, no more. However, anyone who recommends more installations gets 6 months maintenance and 6 months free extension of their guarantee per installation but contact them for the service and guarantees that are rare in this business and with which I know you will be pleased.

While I would not think of it as a solo means of protection by any means, there is no doubt that a personal answering service is some kind of deterrent quite apart from being useful for business. The firms that are connected to your line private extension can give a personalized answering service and train their operators to be deliberately tactful as to whether subscribers are in or out and for how long—many a burglary is carried out after phone calls prove the householder's absence. You can even have a direct-line service whereby messages are taken but the phone is answered in your name or number and this would certainly fool any would-be intruder who would think the house occupied.

Such services are all handled by Answering Limited, 16 Jacob's Well Mews, George Street, London W1H 6BD (01-935 6655). They have offices over most of the country and their charges (in addition to your normal Post Office telephone costs) are some £45.75 per quarter for 24-hour service or £9 less for office hours service plus VAT. Clearly, if you run your business from home, the charges are tax deductible.

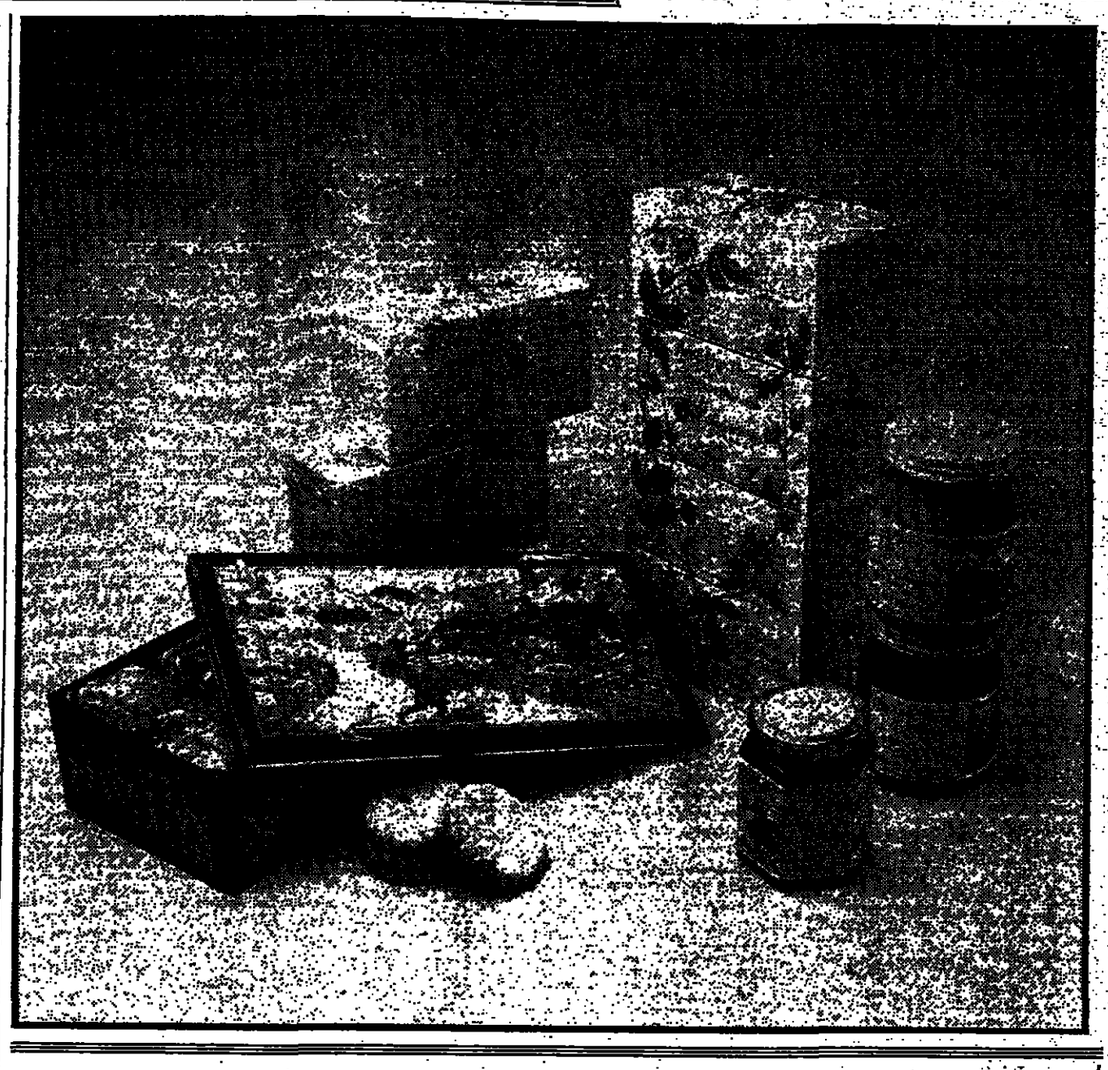
I omitted one company from my list of intruder alarms companies—maybe many more as I shall discover from next week's trade exhibition devoted to the subject. But one only that has written to me about itself. This is Tye Security, which has spent two years developing a system that has been operated in America for about a decade. The system is based on radio waves and therefore cuts out the wiring and similar installations of direct contact systems. Electronic sensors with miniature radio transmitters are fitted to doors, windows, pressure mats *et alia*. One thing—you will need to pay an annual licence fee of £6.50 since this operates in the VHF band. Tye will get the necessary forms from the Home Office.

Maintenance is the regular replacement of batteries (standby batteries are available to take over in case of mains failure). The radio receiver which triggers the alarms is about the size of a book and can be bought complete with dummy book jacket to stand on a shelf. Which reminds me of a time when, after many thefts, one of my offices had been wired to take photographs of intruders through the window of a box file. The intruder called and stole the box file, obviously having heard a shutter click. Professionals know their jobs as well as installers do.

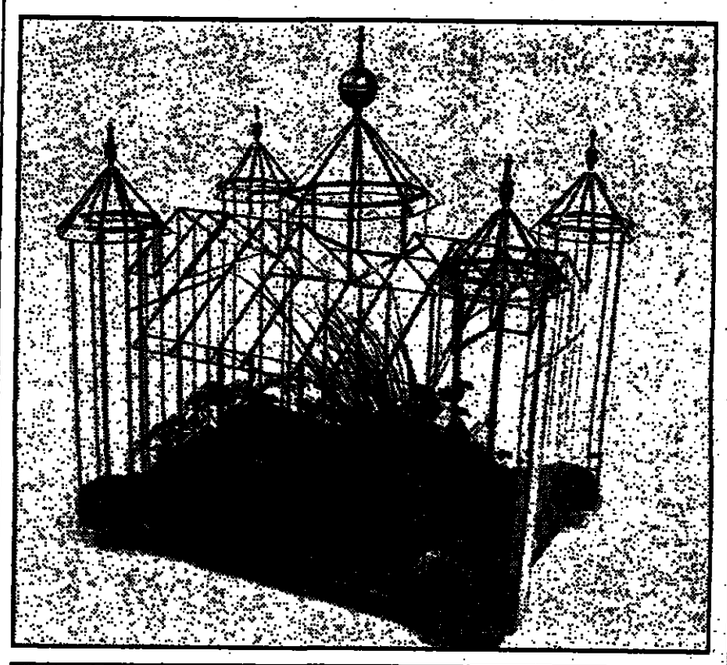
Reverting to Tye Security, their system would cost about £250 to £300 for the average 3-bedroomed house, which is roughly the same as the cost of a Bunch installation.

Tye does a number of other good things. They can bait £1 notes, lay traps in special drawers or what you will. They do smoke and heat detectors to protect from fire and sell personal money clips which, though a trifle bulky, are ideal for cash tills in places where the sale attendant or assistant might have to leave the till unguarded for short periods to collect stores, serve petrol or some such thing. And they make personal panic buttons that are small, boxlike units to wear around the neck. Ideal for the disabled or elderly who can summon help if they fall as well as for anyone at risk.

I am impressed by the leaflets and hope to see the equipment at the intruder exhibition. Meanwhile, for your leaflets and other data, the address is Tye Security, Dolphin Road North, Sunbury-on-Thames, Middlesex TW16 7HQ. Telephone Sunbury-on-Thames 89631.



■ Crabtree and Evelyn have a proble First, their fragrant, lovely soaps hav become so popular as gifts and personal purchases that they are having to be careful who stocks them the object is to sell them in pleasant environments because they are so beautifully packaged that it is heartbreaking to discard the box, wh the soap is also original and luxurious. Second, their foods are no becoming popular, too. The jams and marmalades are really delicious—no cheap but worth every penny. At abo 75p to 85p the jar with those artistic labels, they will need frequent replacement because everybody find them so "moreish". You can conjure with names like Cherry and Kirsch, Plum and Walnut with Brandy, Strawberry and Curacao, Raspberry and Kirsch. I—who should not have done so—have tried them and they taste as good as the names sound. Honeys between 95p and £1.25p the jar—the Greek Hymettus is sharp, while both Spanish Rosemary and Israeli Orange Blossom are daunting floral on the tongue. All the marmalades are good—ginger, lemo and three-fruit as well as the ordina (but not-so-ordinary) grapefruit and orange in 1lb jars at 75p.
So where is the problem? Well, the problem is that shops and stores segregate the soaps and lotions, bath products and other delights from th foods and tracklements. Shoppers w discover one may never discover the other because the departments are so wide apart yet the same high quality pervades both lines and is likely to appeal to the same person. you can do is hunt, I am afraid. Especially since Crabtree and Evely have compounded the felony and n now producing some really fragrant smooth, soft and emollient moisturi creams like Sweet Fennel and Wate Mint Souffle in pale gold; or Wild Rose and Meadowsweet Souffle in pink; Apricot Oil Souffle and . . . b you see what I mean.
I hardly dare mention the confectionery like clotted cream to or sesame seed and honey toffee (previously described on this page, the herbs. But the biscuits in charming, green presentation tins delightful drawings on them (see o in the photograph) are so buttery creamy I must mention them—goo gifts at £3.45 per tin (964 grammes The Rose Hip tea is one of three herbal teas which gives a good rich colour and was a standby of Victorian ladies. In sachets, it is su to make and do please admire the clever way the artist has designed four sides of the packet so that, wh they are stacked one atop the othe you get a "growing" branch—typi of the attention this firm pays to a details, whether of quality ingredie or of presentation. The Peppermin tea—a hybrid of green mint and water mint is refreshing, and the Camomile tea is renowned for its soothing qualities (85p per box of sachets).
We have already found ourselves perhaps as many as four shops or departments if we are to buy everything, but the occasional gift shop does sell several Crabtree an Evelyn lines closely together. All stockists apart from the obvious fi Liberty's, Heals, Fenwicks, the Con Shop, etc. from the company's hea office in London at Crabtree and Evelyn, 24/25 New Bond Street, London, W1. (01-491 3031).



■ I like some new soaps from Bronnley. Borrowing rather from the Crabtree and Evelyn ideas on design, Bronnley has put the soaps into nicely illustrated boxes with attractive drawings. The soap tablet itself has a textured surface.

All the soaps have the purest ingredients of honey and beeswax and give that glowing feel to the face besides smelling good. The honey is evident in all of the soaps though each is based on the flower from which the nectar came. Choose from Honey and Lime, Honey and Wild Rose, Honey and Heather, or Honey and Clover, all with the stylized honeycomb textured pattern on the surface. Each tablet weighs 100 grammes and is rather less costly than many honeyed rivals at 60p each at most leading stores and chemists in 3 weeks, but Harrods later this week. In case of difficulty, Bronnley is at 10 Conduit Street, London, W1. (01-629 8711).

■ Although we all know there are several brands of vacuum cleaners, it is amazing how often any cleaner, whatever its make, is referred to as a Hoover. It also irritates Hoover, quite rightly, since they make washing machines, kettles, irons and a whole host of domestic appliances large and small, not just vacuum cleaners. But that is the burden of the market leader. My own Hoover is just that, but I have a friend with another vacuum cleaner who nevertheless insists it is an Electrolux Hoover. Heigh ho.
However, a lady in the office has been trying out the Light 'n' Easy vacuum cleaner because she, too, thought they were all Hoovers. She loved her Light 'n' Easy and found it lighter than her Hoover Junior, which the slight young thing now reckons to be heavy. She also finds it easy. The disposable bag comes out simply from the zipped-down side of the outer bag and the flex tidies away neatly into a pocket in the outer bag. She liked the way it folded flat to go under the furniture (but so does my Hoover) and the fact that it does not interfere with TV or radio reception for the non-working members of her household—she also feels safe about the double insulation. She found the attachments easy to use and is delighted with the appearance of the thing. Since it has a Design Council award, she is in good company there. It performs extremely well and was quoted in *Which?* magazine as being of good value. That is undeniable since it costs about £35 (about £7 extra for the optional attachments). A list of service centres comes with the various booklets that go with the Light 'n' Easy and there are enough listed to please anybody. I commend the clear, well-diagrammed handbook and pass on Jackie's enthusiasm for those now looking for a new vacuum cleaner to buy or to give as a welcome wedding present. Generally available at leading electrical and departmental stores. For all enquiries and stockists, the maker is W. J. Parry Domestic Products, Plymouth Avenue, Brook Hill Industrial Estate, Pinxton, Nottingham NG16 6NS (Ripley, Derby, 812500).

■ The Expandopol plant-holding has always been a good idea. I simple, easy-wipe spring-loaded t pole that can be "sprung" firmly between floor and ceiling, wh fully protected by a cushioning the top. On the pole hang pla holders, hooks or tiny, almost-tria shelves, towel rings etc. All very for those rooms which have to as guest-rooms periodically becau can, with no screws, nuts, bolts or effort, suddenly provide the hooks or shelves for overnight Also useful in the bathroom for towels and even as a permanent I personally think hooks and could be much better designe would not want them up all the

The pole takes up so little spa is so easy to store that it could fol for all sorts of reasons. Tw can make shelf units with recta shelves and these look much nic the little shelves. There are thre poles. The Bathroom SP2 costs and has a little cosmetic tray-she rings for towels or flannels. The SP1 has four plant holders an forms and costs £9.50, then there Coatstand SP3 with an assortm hooks and rings at £9.50.

A leaflet shows all these uni and is free from Nymak, 178a Road, Guildford, Surrey GU (Guildford 32826). There is larger, costlier, glossier leaflet bigger shelf units for living offices or anywhere else and th supplied with all the fittings as unit, a corner unit, floral unit



If you live near Lutterworth, Leicestershire, and are interested in botanical drawings and painters which are as accurate as they are appealing, then contact Dorothy Bovey, Kilnlock House Gallery, Laughton, Lutterworth (Leicester 402278). She will be having an exhibition from May 1 to May 14 which will show some of the treasures she has picked up on her travels as well as her artistry. It is hard to believe but she tells me she has scraps of ostrich shell that are about 7,000 years old and a piece of petrified wood that is twenty million years old as well as modern Chinese embroidery. She has travelled much, written a book on wild flowers in the Oman and has superb photographs and drawings. From April 23 she will actually be settled for a while to answer all your enquiries.

■ Unusual furniture from Ireland is currently selling only at Oughterard Craft, 34 Thayer Street, London W1M 5LH (01-486 8909), alias Thayer Galleries. It looks like the most ethnic of all the ethnic products we have around us today, very Celtic and basic in design, the sort of furniture that goes with crofts or large farmhouse kitchens.

Based on traditional Galway craftsmanship, the furniture is of Nigerian teak, better known in the furniture trade as iroko. Run by an American and an Englishwoman who have given up their jobs to sell these Galways designs, the solid wood furniture includes dining tables and chairs, cradles, bookcases, blanket chests, patio furniture, sturdy stools and dressers. A stool is around £24, a 6½-ft dresser about £300 and a long, 8-feet refectory table is £320. Not to all tastes but, if you like it, you will not find it elsewhere. Price list available. Delivery within the London area is free, but contact Oughterard Craft direct for shipping elsewhere.





■ Mike King works in glass and stained glass. He designs and makes stained glass windows, doors, door tops, shower screens, skylights (stained glass skylights are really superb ornaments in any home) and panels. This kind of thing is highly specialized and not cheap but every commission is naturally to individual quotation.
However, he also does some original and unusual fern cases of the Victorian type but in different designs. These, too, are lovely to see in themselves and even more lovely when used for ferns, indoor plants and even orchids which would be happy in the same conditions as ferns for the most part.
Look at Palace, costing £100 and measuring 24 by 18 inches with a height of 24 inches. Or at Kew, not much smaller, at £60. A greenhouse shape is £40 and a couple of birdcage shapes £40 and £50. The fern case was said to be invented by Nathaniel Bagshaw Ward in about 1830 to transport plants to and from the colonies before becoming popular Victoriana about the house. Treat them as you would treat bottle gardens. These cases sell full but can be bought for your own planting for £45. All prices subject to VAT at 8 per cent. Mike King is at 36 Sarre Road, London, NW2 (01-794 7050).

■ Every time I want to write ab the latest Heredities limited edi special collection bronze sculptu they sell out even before I can the photographs into the office before everyone snaps it up, is Hunting Cheetahs, a wonderful of two of them in action modell William Timym. For sheer mov and strength, they are superb. from Asprey, Chinacraft, Long and Strong 'Th' Arm (Dover S and Thos Goode (South Audle Street)—all in London. For an of London stockist, contact He at Stonehill Mill, Kirkby Step Cumbria CA17 4QY (Kirkby S 71543).

■ Bejam freezer shops are 10 years old today, and their birthday marks a pretty historic decade in food freezer progress. In 1968 fewer than 1 per cent of homes had freezers whereas more than 40 per cent now have them. There have also been many changes in attitudes. The old habit of buying in bulk is slowly dying (with certain exceptions) and more people are buying gourmet foods. Equally, many are making their own freezer dishes. Either way, the accent is less on money-saving than on convenience and time-saving.

Bejam was just a North London warehouse; today it has 145 branches throughout the country, with at least another 15 scheduled to open this year. It is a good thought that 40,000 tons of vegetables are bought from Bejam every year (and that the figure is rising) but a rather terrifying one that they sell 4.75 million fish fingers every month. Anyway, Bejam is proud that its birthday will be celebrated by keen prices in all things, whether it is good roasting beef at 1.05 per lb or choc-ice bars at 99p per dozen (which would shake my costlier local grocer). So, happy birthday Bejam, and their customers.

■ Mailyarns is one of those places that sell many yarns and wools that are difficult to find in traditional shops. Dishcloth yarns, for example, from which youngsters make bikinis. Shetland wools or Shetland type wools, glitter threads for knitting machines, cotton all ready on the cone also for machines and acrylic or other yarns as well as very fine-ply yarns. Prices are good value and the address is Mailyarns, 38 High Street, Syston, Leicester.

■ They say that some 4,000 firms and people bought solar energy systems last year at an average cost of £650 per system and, since sunshine does more to tempt buyers even than advertising or other publicity, one can assume that last year might have been even better if the weather had been more kind. I found it hard, last year, not to wonder occasionally if my own money had been well spent but continued to enjoy the idea of having it and, since I plan to live on where I am for many years yet, I shall hope for more sunny weather.
My first year with it was the famous heatwave year and my electricity bills dropped like crazy. In attributing all the saving to my solar energy, I made exactly the kind of mistake that many others make. I entirely forgot that I had done other fuel-saving things at the same time, like having the entire house double-glazed with sealed units and there is a great deal of glass in my home so that would have been largely responsible. I also had a coal fire put in and used significantly less electricity for heating. A microwave oven—OK, it cannot make a terrific difference but it makes some—and additional lagging on the hot water tank and pipes by the solar panel installers must have done some good, however small. All in all, I found I could not really assess the solar contribution.
However, reputable installers and consultants have done and their figures show how small the saving is. Dr J. C. McVeigh, head of the department of mechanical engineering at Brighton Polytechnic, has collaborated with Diana Schumacher, daughter of the late Dr Schumacher who wrote *Small is Beautiful*. They have written and published, via the Natural Energy Association, a book which unlike most others in the field everybody can afford. *Going Solar* is a practical guide to solar water heating and its simple, unbiased approach makes no claims about cutting out central heating bills (heat conversion is prohibitively expensive) but it does show some of the benefits of using solar energy and gives a full, up-to-date list of United Kingdom manufacturers, etc.
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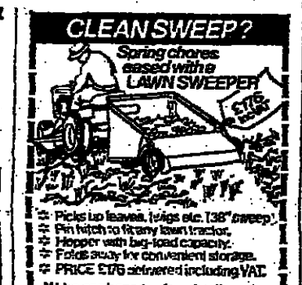
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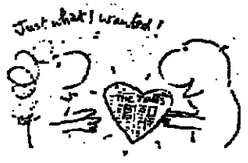


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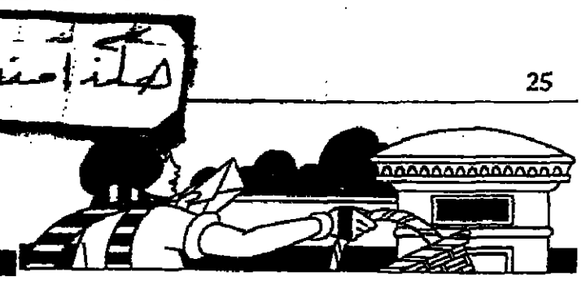
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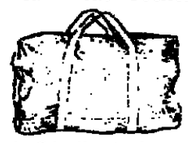
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BIRTHS

ADAMS.—On April 20th at the Westminster Hospital, to Angela and Aubrey—a daughter (Sara Angela Rose).

HARLOW.—On April 19th, at Cambridge, to Jenny (nee Lawrence) and Colin—a son (Thomas).

HAVARD.—On 18th April at St. Stephen's Hospital, Chelsea, to Anne and Ken—a daughter.

McHARDY-YOUNG.—On 19th April 1978, at St. Teresa's Hospital, Wimbledon to Margaret and Stuart—a daughter (Catherine Elizabeth).

MILLER.—On April 20th, in Derby City Hospital, to Honor (nee Brooke) and Nigel Miller, two sons, David Edward Beynon and Alexander Henry Julian, brothers for Matthew Arriel and Elena.

MULLION.—On April 21st at Lindo Wing, St. Mary's Hospital, Paddington, to Vivien (nee Ireland) and Roderick—a son (James Douglas), a brother for Annabel, Thomas and Lorna.

PECHOLT.—On the 19th April in Munich to Elizabeth (nee Paul) and Miro—a daughter.

BIRTHS

PHYSICK.—On April 19th, at Southampton General Hospital, to Irene and Bill—a daughter (Emily Claire).

SMITH.—On April 19, at Kings College Hospital, London, to Corinne (nee Hicks) and Dr Paul Smith—a daughter (Camilla Jane), a sister to Benjamin.

SPENCER.—On 18th April to Gillian (nee Nursaw) and Victor Spencer—a sister (Pamela Jane) for Sally-Anne.

STEEDMAN.—On 16th April at the Wilhelmina Gasthuis, Amsterdam to Sarah (nee Dalton) and John—a son (Benjamin James Dalton).

STEPHENS.—On April 19th, to Annie (nee Souchon) and Roger—a daughter (Giselle).

WALTERS.—On April 21st, at the Welbeck Clinic, London, to Angela and Martin—a son (Dominic Martin Cavendish), a brother for Guy.

BIRTHDAYS

N. M. C.—Good wishes on your special day. Love A. A., N. R.

MARRIAGES

HUDSON : BARCLAY.—On April 15th, at Hanworth, Norfolk, Michael, son of Brigadier and Mrs. John Hudson, of Fordingbridge, Hampshire, to Anna, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Barclay, of Aldborough, Norfolk.

RUBY WEDDING

HAGGIS : BARBIER.—On April 23rd, 1938, at Pully, Switzerland, Donald R. Haggis to Odette Barbier.

DEATHS

ARMITAGE.—On April 18th, peacefully, in her sleep, at the Royal East Sussex Hospital, Hastings, Christine Noel (aged 80). Funeral service at St. Helen's Church, Ore, Hastings, on Tuesday, April 25th at 11.30 a.m. Any inquiries to Hinckley Funeral Service, Hastings 431461.

BACHE.—Suddenly, on 19th of April, George Samuel, of Loughton, Essex. Funeral service Thursday, 27th of April, 1 p.m., St. Mary's Church, Loughton, followed by cremation at Enfield Crematorium.

BADGER.—On April 18th, 1978, suddenly, at home, William Warden, aged 75, of 77 Bolton Road, Harrow. Service at 11.45 a.m. Thursday, 27th April, 1978, at St George's Church, Pinner View, Harrow, followed by cremation at Breakspear Crematorium, Ruislip, East Chappel, at 12.30. Flowers and inquiries to Charles Elwin, 29/31 Pinner Rd, Harrow.

BEILBY.—On April 20th, at Aiskew House, Bedale, Dr. Julius Harold Beilby, beloved husband of the late Rosemary. Funeral service and interment at St. Gregory's Church, Bedale, on Tuesday, 25th April, at 2.30 p.m.

BERRIDGE, FRANCIS RICHARD, F.R.C.P., F.R.C.R.—On April 19th, suddenly but happily, of the Ostrich, Wells, Norfolk; husband of Virginia. No mourning. Family flowers only. Funeral arrangements: S. T. Sutton, Wells 301.

CLAY.—On 18th April, 1978, Carys Marie Duncan-Clay, of Emsworth, Hants, widow of the late Dr. Robert Duncan-Clay. Funeral service Warblington Church, on Monday, 24th April at 1.30 p.m. Flowers, please, and inquiries to Wraight Funeral Directors, The Square, Emsworth, Hants. Emsworth 2255.

CORDY.—On 20th April, 1978, peacefully in her sleep at her home, 2 Castle House, Long St., Sherborne, Dorset, aged 84, Grace Olive, dear wife of the late Walter Cordy, much-loved mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. Funeral service at Castleton Church, Sherborne, at 12 noon on Tuesday, 25th April. Family flowers only.

de VOS van STEENWYK.—On April 19th, Baron Jan Arent, at Diepenheim, Netherlands.

FAIRWEATHER.—On April 20th, 1978, suddenly, at home, 3 Palace Green, Ely, Cambridgeshire, Helen Vera Mary, aged 79 years, beloved wife of Josiah William Chalmers Fairweather, and dearly loved mother of John, Elizabeth and Lyall, and a beloved grandmother of seven grandchildren. Service at Ely Cathedral at 3.30 p.m. on Monday, 24th April, 1978, followed by private cremation. No flowers, please. Donations, if desired, to Ely Cathedral Appeal Fund.

HORWOOD.—On April 21st, 1978, Florence, peacefully at home, loved by son, daughters, in-laws, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

JOHNSTONE.—On April 20th, 1978, at Dunchurch Lodge, Duchess Drive, Newmarket, after a long illness, borne with great courage, Andrew John Robert, aged 62, beloved husband of Anne and dear father of John. Funeral on Thursday, April 27th, at Exning Church, Exning, Newmarket, at 3.30 p.m., followed by private cremation. Family flowers only, but if desired, donations to Imperial Cancer Research Fund, Lincolns Inn Fields, London. Interment at Lochmaben, Dumfriesshire. Details to be announced later.

LEEMBRUGGEN.—On April 20th, 1978, peacefully, at home, 21 Merewood Court, Carew Road, Eastbourne, Sussex, Carper Eric, most dearly loved husband of Debora. Funeral service at Eastbourne Crematorium on Thursday, 27th April, at 12 noon. Family flowers only, please.

LUBICZ.—On April 18th, Ray, widow of Dr Noah Lubicz, suddenly, in Cannes. Funeral took place April 21st in London.

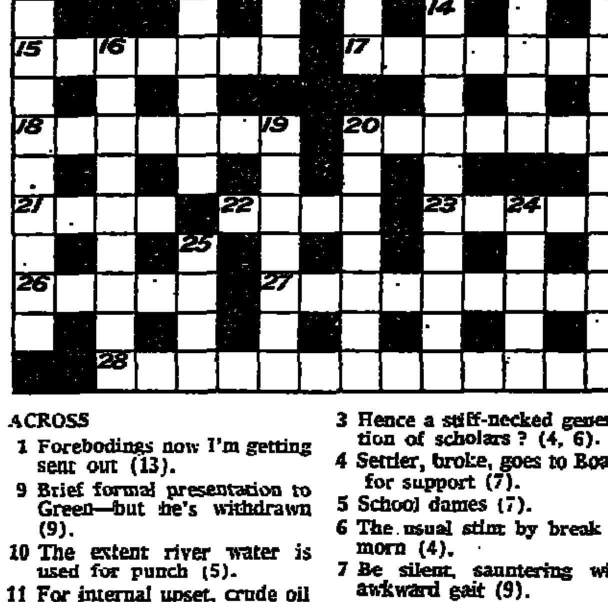
LYTE, EDWYN TREVOR, beloved husband of Constance Martha and much loved father of Teddy, Sara, Charles and John, peacefully, on April 20th, aged 75, at Sunnyside, Broadhembury, nr. Honiton, Devon.

MACKENZIE.—On April 20th, peacefully, at home, after an illness courageously borne, Ashley Mackintosh Mackenzie, O.B.E., M.D., late I.M.S., dearly loved husband of Margaret and dear father of Valerie and Jonathan. Inquiries to Brett Funeral Service, Sandwich, Kent 613046 2053.

MOLESWORTH.—On 20th April, suddenly, and peacefully, at the Orangery, Langley Park, Henrietta Dalves (Moley), beloved husband of Eve. Funeral private.

The Times Crossword Puzzle No 14,881

This puzzle, used at the Birmingham regional final of the Cutty Sark/Times National Crossword Championship, was solved within 30 minutes by 33 per cent of the finalists.



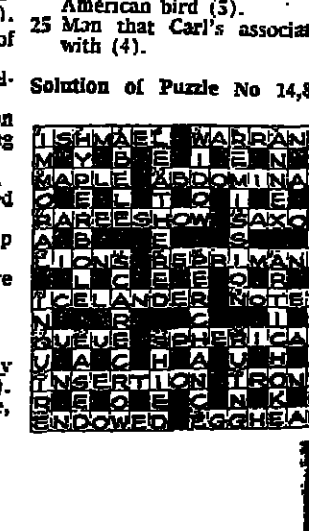
ACROSS

1 Forebodings now I'm getting sent out (13).
9 Brief formal presentation to Green—but he's withdrawn (9).
10 The extent river water is used for punch (5).
11 For internal upset, crude oil in metric measure (5).
12 You going to the sands? What a crowd! (4).
13 The second one a dam jointly fathered (4).
15 One in Rachel's wild embrace is my darling (7).
17 No good reason to soak him without a bob (7).
18 Working on religious propaganda that should draw (7).
20 Chilly-sounding place of Midas and the Mode (7).
21 Sign of an illiterate gospeller? (4).
22 Right of possession "Though ye have — among the pots" (4).
23 Tom the hitch-hiker? (5).
26 No, all rights are cornered in them (5).
27 Namely, a thousand to equip a lord for battle (9).
28 Mouldy money? Or can we grow it? (3, 5, 5).

DOWN

1 Bewitching boy, obviously hipped, put in tights (6, 8).
2 Cry up tenth item in sale, of Oriental type (5).
3 Hence a stiff-necked generation of scholars? (4, 6).
4 Settler, broke, goes to Board for support (7).
5 School dames (7).
6 The usual stint by break of morn (4).
7 Be silent, sauntering with awkward gait (9).
8 Just crusts for dinner? (9, 5).
14 Does this meths consumer show up the ghost? (6-4).
16 "Sternest" or greediest? (9).
19 Barber of Bray (7).
20 Rabelaisian of pagan addiction (7).
24 A guru, but in part a South American bird (5).
25 Man that Carl's associated with (4).

Solution of Puzzle No 14,880



DEATHS

PHILLIS.—On April 20th, in hospital, Edward Rupert, beloved husband of Christine and dear father of John. Funeral service at Croydon Parish Church on Thursday, April 27th, at 3.30 p.m. Flowers to Ebbutt Funeral Service, Croydon. Telephone 01-688 5555.

PLANT.—Professor Sir Arnold, peacefully, after a brave fight in hospital on 19th April, 1978, in his 80th year. Beloved husband of Edith and father of Gregory and Roger. Cremation private.

SMITH.—On the 20th of April, 1978, peacefully at her home, 30 Bargate, Grimsby, Dora Elaine, aged 100 years, sister of the late R. G. Smith and M. G. Smith, and the late Mrs. H. P. Bryant. Service Grimsby Crematorium, on Tuesday, at 11.30 a.m. Family flowers only, please.

TOLLINTON.—On April 21st at Brook House Nursing Home, East Grinstead, Richard Bartram Boyd Tollinton, C.B.E., foreign service, retd., aged 74 years, a year after the death of his wife, Judith. Funeral service at Turners Hill Parish Church, on Tuesday, April 25th, at 3.00 p.m. Enquiries to Brinkhurst, East Grinstead 23092 or to Tollinton, Fen Cottage, Turners Hill, Sussex. Tel.: Copthorne 715291.

WILTON.—On 20th April, 1978, Roland Frederick Bouverie, peacefully, in hospital. Beloved husband of Marjorie. Cremation at Guildford Crematorium on Thursday, 27th April, at 2 p.m. Flowers to Harris and Barnes, Ltd., Hazelmore Road, Liphook, Hampshire.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

ASSCHER.—A memorial service for the late Ann Asscher will be held on Saturday, May 6th at 10 a.m. at the Mondiflore Hall, Froebel Institute, Grove House, Roehampton Lane, S.W.15.

FRIDAY.—A thanksgiving service for Fred W. Friday will be held in the nave of Canterbury Cathedral on Saturday, 29th of April, 1978 at 11.30 a.m.

IN MEMORIAM

DREW.—In loving memory of Flying Officer Douglas M. Drew, R.A.F., killed in action over Germany on St. George's Day, 1944. Per Ardua ad Astra.

HATTON, BRIAN, artist, 2nd Lieutenant, The Worcestershire Yeomanry, killed at Oghratina, Easter Sunday, April 23rd, 1916, aged 28. "The Utmost for the Highest."

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GUNN, MICKEY. Always in our thoughts. Her gay and gallant spirit will never die. Iain, Eleanor, Donald.

JONES, WATKIN, suddenly, April, 1970 in his 90th year. Head Teacher, Monmouthshire, Sth. Wales, retired; loving and adored husband of Elsie and father of Ronald, Flt-Lt. R.A.F.O., pilot, killed 1940. Now united after 30 years. Darling husband, the memories of 60 years of devotion and happiness crowd in upon me and I thank you from the depths of my heart for every one of them so full of love that ripened with the years. Words fail to express all the happiness you gave me; all the sorrow that now engulfs me. I love you for ever, my darling; you are always in my thoughts and in my heart.—2 Knowsley Road, Fishponds, Bristol.

MURRAY.—In memory of Kenneth C. Murray, O.B.E., First director Nigerian Museum, died in Nigeria April 22, 1972.

OLDHAM, EDWARD CECIL.—On April 23rd, 1976. Remembering with love his gentle presence, integrity and never failing kindness. Barbara.

SCHNEIDER, LOUIS (LLB.) treasured and loving memory of a devoted son, brother and friend.

SCHUMANN.—In ever loving memory of Elisabeth Schumann, who died 23rd April, 1952. All who knew, or heard her will never forget her.

WADIA, SIR NESS, KBE, CIE.—In loving memory of our devoted father who died in Bombay, April 22nd, 1952.

WHITE, WILLIAM HERBERT.—In ever-loving memory of our dear father who fell asleep on the 23rd April 1950. "Until the day break". From his loving family, Bill, Betty and Mary of Stoneford.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

KETT.—Wife and parents of Michael James Kett, Captain R.A., killed on 10th April, 1978, in a flying accident in Northern Ireland, wish to thank all relatives and friends for their messages of sympathy and beautiful floral tributes received during their sad bereavement. Special thanks to all military units concerned for their help and consideration.

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